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## Language Day 1997



# Presidio Portrait

of  
Command Sgt. Maj. Debra Smith

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Command Sgt. Maj. Debra Smith entered the Army June 18, 1973, and upon completion of Morse code operator training was assigned to Field Station Korea. In May 1976, she reported to Continental U.S. Military Intelligence Group, Fort Meade, Md., and served in B Group Remote Operating Facility as a Morse operator and attended CY-155, Cryptologic Course for Service Supervisors, becoming the honor graduate and the first female to complete this course. She was also awarded 98C, Traffic Analyst, as a secondary military occupational specialty.

She was reassigned to Field Station Augsburg, Germany, in February 1978, where she served as a Signal Search and Development operator and section supervisor. In October 1980, she was reassigned to the Intelligence School, Fort Devens, Mass., where she served as an Advanced Individual Training and Basic NCO Course instructor and then as a Platoon Sergeant, Student Company, 2nd Battalion. She also graduated from Advanced NCO Course and earned an Associate of Science degree while stationed at Fort Devens. In July 1983, she was reassigned to Field Station Berlin and served as a platoon sergeant and NCOIC, NCO Development Course. During her assignment to Berlin, Smith was selected to the Sergeant Morales Club. In May 1985, she was transferred to the 714th Military Intelligence Battalion, Augsburg, and served as a platoon sergeant and as NCOIC, manual Morse Division.

In June 1986, she departed Augsburg to attend CY-200, Cryptologic Course for Senior Supervisors en route to her assignment at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., as an ANCOC instructor.

While stationed at Fort Huachuca she completed her third year of college.

In October 1987, she was reassigned to Field Station Panama, redesignated the 747th Military Intelligence Battalion, where she served as the first sergeant and graduated from the First Sergeants Course. June 1989, she departed Panama to attend the Sergeant Major Academy with a follow-on assignment to the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, Fort Belvoir, Va., where she earned her fourth year of college.

Smith was appointed to her current rank July 18, 1991, becoming the first female in the Military Intelligence Corps to be appointed command sergeant major. She served in four units as the command sergeant major prior to her assignment as the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center School and Installation command sergeant major May 2.

Previous assignments as command sergeant major were for the 731st Military Intelligence Battalion from August 1991 to July 1992 assisting with the mission transfer of Misawa, Japan to Kunia; 733rd Military Intelligence, Kunia, Hawaii, activating a new battalion as most of the Army was deactivating units, July 1992 to March 1994; 344th Military Intelligence Battalion, Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas, responsible for training Military Intelligence, Engineer and Signal Corps soldiers in 17 separate Advanced Individual Training Courses from February 1994 to January 1996; and 111th Military Intelligence Brigade, Fort Huachuca, Ariz., February 1996 to April 1997, the largest brigade in Military Intelligence.

Her awards include the Superior Unit



Command Sgt. Maj. Debra Smith

Citation with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Good Conduct Medal seventh award, Army Occupation Medal, National Defense Medal with bronze star, NCO Development Ribbon with numeral four, Army Service Ribbon and the Overseas Service Ribbon with numeral four.

She is an All-Army Athlete 1990 through 1996 competing as a member of the All-Army Woman's Bowling team, winning the Army championships in 1993 and the Armed Forces championships in 1996.

She is married to retired Command Sgt. Maj. Wayne Smith. They have three children, Scott, Angela and Julie and two grandchildren.



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French staff and faculty members chat at the French Cafe during Language Day 1997. The French Department creates the display every year giving visiting students and teachers a chance to take in the experience of French ambience. (Photo by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen)

## Commander's Notes

### *'Coming home' to DLIFLC*

By all accounts, the reunions that have brought members of DLIFLC graduating classes of past years to the Presidio of Monterey have been great successes. All of them were arranged and organized on the initiative of the classmates themselves. About all they've asked for in the way of support from DLIFLC is permission to tour the Presidio and to revisit the schools they attended.

I welcome this grassroots interest in "coming home" to DLIFLC. I'd like all who've studied at DLIFLC over the years to think of the Institute as theirs. If I might offer a suggestion, it would be that our graduates don't wait until their linguist careers are concluded before they seek to return.

It's well known that DLIFLC is where many accomplished linguists, military and civilian, got their start. It's true that our basic courses are without parallel in both quality and content among foreign language programs offered anywhere. It may be that their reputation draws attention away from our Institute's other programs.

The perhaps less-known truth is, DLIFLC offers much more than just an entry into the foreign language community. I'd like to think our Institute has an important place in the life-cycle of a military linguist's career.

Our academic catalog does a good job of outlining what's available. In that guide to our courses you'll find descriptions of intermediate, advanced and special programs designed to boost proficiency and make good linguists even better. Refresher and sustainment programs are available for linguists who need them. Also in place are cross-training programs that enable linguists to use the foreign language skills they have acquired to learn related languages.

For linguists whose assignments don't permit them to travel here for resident instruction, DLIFLC is prepared to come to them through mobile training teams and nonresident instruction programs. DLIFLC also reaches out electronically to the linguist community through Video TeleTraining and Lingnet.

The recent DLIFLC Worldwide Foreign Language Olympics was a homecoming for many of the 300-plus military linguists who traveled from units around the world to participate in the weeklong event. DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey host this spirited competition annu-



**Col. Daniel Devlin**  
**Commandant of DLIFLC,**  
**Commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey**

ally, and it's hard to imagine any other venue for it.

Those of us who have had the good fortune to experience living on the Monterey Peninsula, the Foreign Language Capital of the World, know that it's a special place. It's truly an international community with countless opportunities to observe and partake of the best of many cultures. Not many communities are as cosmopolitan. Few are blessed with historic and scenic attractions such as those found in these parts. Moreover, there's not a community anywhere that's proven more supportive of the U.S. military and its personnel.

From my experience as a DLIFLC student of Russian, I know that the rigors of study make it difficult to find time to enjoy all the cultural and recreational resources that abound here. When I hear of former students "coming home" to DLIFLC, I'm doubly pleased when their travel plans can also include a leisurely revisit to the Monterey Peninsula. 

# Language Day 1997 brings warm weather and large crowds

Story and photos by Petty Officer 1st Class  
T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

Cultural displays, classroom demonstrations and entertainment to include native dancing were a major part of the festive day's activities and set the tone as a record gathering of high school students and teachers converged May 16 on the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center for Language Day 1997.

The aroma of international foods wafting through the Monterey air was enough to stop a person in his tracks. Kimchee and wurst smells mingled together with that of various tanning and sun-screen products induced by temperatures in the high 90s. Shade was as hard to find as a vowel in former San Francisco 49er quarterback Elvis Grbac's last name.

Other elements were barracks room visitations, resource center/computer lab displays, a presentation on Islam and Buddhism world religions, Video TeleTraining techniques, a program for educators, a round-table discussion on foreign language teaching and learning and teaching foreign languages for proficiency.

"We had over 4,000 students and teachers from all over California. It was our biggest and best Language Day ever and I do believe the hottest one yet," said Language Day Project Officer, 1st Lt. Kevin May, director of operations at DLIFLC's Evaluation and Standardization Directorate. "The day definitely exceeded expectations, and everything across the board went well. I think the students and teachers found most appealing and most interesting the quality of our uniformed people, the technology present in learning a foreign language, and the entertainment that was provided by the foreign language students.

"I'd like to thank all the project managers of the various support units and DLI schools for the extraordinary job they did of executing their duties and tasks," he noted. "Their support led to a very successful day. They made my job so much easier, and for me, the day and the planning which began roughly seven months ago, was a fun experience."

During the day, various DLI students assisted with different aspects of Language Day while others dressed in costumes of the language they are studying to provide entertainment. Yet others gave classroom or computer-lab demonstrations, explained cultural displays, translated names in different languages for a keepsake, explained military equipment, and answered any questions pertaining to their respective branch of service to inquiring students or visiting teachers.

"I was here 16 years ago as a student, and it is amazing how much Language Day has grown," said Air Force Staff Sgt. Gre-

gory Stein of the 311th Training Squadron. Stein is taking a Vietnamese refresher course. "It was much smaller when I was first here, and only the language students at DLI participated then."

"It gives high school students a chance to find some things out about not only learning a foreign language but also about the military as a whole," said Airman 1st Class Bryan Bouchard,

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Peter Kimball, 13, a Harden Middle School student, is given instructions on the proper use of a Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement System (Simulated System for the Dragon Missile) by an Army student, as he takes a look through the scope. Kimball was one of more than 4,000 students who visited DLIFLC's annual Language Day.

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a Hebrew student with the 311th Training Squadron. "Plus, I think it may help some of the students decide their future if they are undecided and about to graduate from high school."

Another Hebrew student, Army Specialist Nicole White of Delta Company, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, said she most liked the opportunity to meet and interact with the high school students and teachers during the day. She was translating students names from English to Hebrew in a classroom set up with cultural displays of Israel. "The students seem real happy to be here and seeing what the military and learning a foreign language are all about. They all seem to think the way Hebrew is written from right to left vice left to right as we Americans do is really unique. That seems to be the one most asked question -- why are we writing backwards, and then we explain to them that is the way it is done in Hebrew," she mentioned. "I think Language Day is great and gives people a good idea of all the possibilities out there in the military and language training."

Navy Recruiter, Petty Officer 2nd Class Art Smiley, a seabee when he's not assisting in signing up prospective enlistees in the Navy, was on hand to answer any questions pertaining to the sea service while handing out posters, stickers and other Navy literature. Smiley has been working at the Navy Recruiting Office in Salinas for almost a year and a half. "Things are going extremely well today, and I'm enjoying fielding any questions that high schoolers may have about the Navy," he said. "I've

been asked a lot today about the Navy SEALs/special forces/ BUDS training, seabees and construction as well as about money for college, guaranteed jobs and schools, where a person may be assigned after bootcamp and their school in the speciality they are trained for, and of course all the travel opportunities the Navy is widely known for. They want to know everywhere I've been stationed and traveled during my career."

Visiting preppers seemed to be quite impressed with Language Day, the amount of languages that are taught at DLI, the technologies used in teaching languages, the ethnic cuisine, customs, culture exhibits and esprit de corps of the military.

"I'm having a very good time, and everything is pretty cool," said 13-year-old Peter Kimball of Harden Middle School in Salinas. He had just finished holding a Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement System and talking with a soldier at an exhibit. "Everything is very interesting here, but at this point of my life, my dream isn't the military but to become a professional ballplayer."

Kimball's friend, 12-year-old Sean McPherson, also of Harden Middle School, said the day was fun and he was enjoying learning a lot of what goes on in the life of a military linguist. "I'm finding out a lot about different cultures, and if I were to join the service, I think I'd want to become a sailor and learn French," he said.

Three 15-year-old ninth graders from Monte Vista High School in Watsonville, said they were most impressed with the Video TeleTraining studios. "We were able to talk to each other via video conferencing, and we were also able to visit ongoing

classes while participating in ongoing instruction," said Kelly Mellor, whose grandfather was in the Navy. "It was really neat to see the technology at work while communications were taking place almost instantly with people in Hawaii."

"I thought the Video TeleTraining was pretty interesting and exciting as well," said Vanessa Fleming. "We are all excited about being here and seeing and meeting military people. They are all very nice people. My Dad was in the Navy, but I don't know if I'd join, although I am interested in learning a foreign language. Right now I'm leaning toward pursuing a career in marine biology."

"One unique thing our history teacher at Monte Vista told us was that if we participated in the Japanese School Dance, we would earn extra credit in our course," said Heather Philpot. "So, Kelly, Vanessa and myself are trying to work up our courage to go out and join in on the fun when that Japanese entertainment time arrives. We are definitely having a very good time today!"



**High school students talk with Army recruiters on what travel opportunities and job specialties a tour of duty or career in the Army might present.**



Native costumes, crowd involvement, dancing and entertainment were the order of the day May 16 for DLIFLC's annual Language Day. "It was our biggest and best language Day ever and I do believe the hottest one yet," said Language Day Project Officer, Air Force 1st Lt. Kevin May. (Photos by Margaret Van Daalen, Test Development Division, Evaluation and Standardization)



# Linguists match skills in 1997 Language Olympics

By Joseph Morgan

**D**LIFLC's sixth annual Worldwide Language Olympics, held May 5-9 at the Presidio of Monterey, gave military linguists from 66 military units and U.S. government agencies around the world an opportunity to showcase their proficiency.

More than 300 participants attended this year's games, which required foreign language skills in:

- Arabic (Modern Standard)
- Chinese (Mandarin)
- Korean
- Persian (Farsi)
- Russian
- Spanish

The event was coordinated and sponsored by members of the Naval Security Group Detachment.

Among the 1997 competitors were officers, NCOs, enlisted personnel and civilians from military units and government agencies across the United States and from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; England; Germany; Italy; Japan; South Korea; and Panama.

A nonresident portion of the competition was conducted over the Video TeleTraining Network from April 14-25.

The competition, which is open to all military service branches and federal government agencies, matches teams of two players in six games.

The games draw upon foreign language skills in vocabulary, translation, recording and relaying information and general knowledge of the target country and culture.

On the closing day of the games, gold, silver and bronze trophies went to first-, second- and third-place teams in each language. Competition for first-, second- and third-place winners of "best overall unit" honors was also settled, with the 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion

assigned to Seoul, South Korea, garnering this year's top prize.

Opening and closing ceremonies were held on Soldier Field, with Lt. Cmdr. Barry Phillips, commander of the NSGD, serving as guest host. Awards were presented by Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant of DLIFLC and commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey.

The games in which the linguists demonstrated their abilities were:

- "Hand Copy," in which participants listen to a tape containing cuts of dialogue in the target language. Following the final cut, they answer questions about what they heard. (Notetaking is permitted during the listening phase.)

- "Verbal Relay," in which Player No. 1 gets an information sheet in English and Player No. 2 gets an interrogation sheet in English. At the start of the event, Player No. 1 runs a lap around the track at the Presidio's Soldier Field. Upon completion of the run, Player No. 2 must extract essential elements of information in the target language from Player No. 1 and record them on the interrogation sheet in English. Then Player No. 2 runs a lap around the track and turns in the interrogation sheet for judging.

- "Jeopardy," in which the competitors' general knowledge of the target country and culture is tested in the target language. Three or four teams compete tournament-style in question categories such as history, personalities and current events.

- "Speed Word," in which team



Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant of DLIFLC and commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey, awards the Best Overall Unit trophy to members of the 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion assigned to Seoul, South Korea.

members in the role of prompter give one-word clues or short descriptive phrases to their team partners. Players are given 90 seconds to correctly respond to as many clues as possible.

- "Get the Point," in which competitors read a text and answer as many questions as they can within a time limit.

- "Picture Perfect," in which one player is given two minutes to memorize as many items in a picture as possible. The player must then relay as accurately as possible in the target language as much information as he remembers from the picture while his partner records the information in English.

DLIFLC's Language Olympics helps linguists pinpoint areas where their language maintenance programs need improvement and motivates them to maintain their proficiency, while strengthening *esprit de corps* within the linguist community, its organizers attest.





(Above) The “Verbal Relay” event requires competitors to complete an interrogation sheet by questioning a teammate. (Right) Quick recall of target-language vocabulary is required in “Speed Word.” (Photos by Mary Erner and Jim Villareal)



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# South Korea's 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion sweeps Worldwide Language Olympics

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By Warrant Officer 2 Armand Levesque  
3rd Military Intelligence Battalion,  
501st Military Intelligence Brigade,  
South Korea

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**P**residio of Monterey — Four soldiers representing the Army's 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion (Aerial Exploitation) stood proudly at attention while they looked west out on the Pacific Ocean. For the first time ever, a Korean linguist unit earned the highest honor — the overall first-place unit — at the close of the Worldwide Language Olympics at the Presidio of Monterey's Soldier Field May 9.

The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center hosted the annual weeklong event May 5-9. DLIFLC is a service school which provides language training and research for the entire Department of Defense and various government agencies. As such, the Overall Best Unit award brings DODwide recognition.

All four honorees are voice intercept professionals assigned to Company B (GUARDRAIL), 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion (AE), 501st Military Intelligence Brigade, Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea. They are Staff Sgt. Lawrence Buza, the unit's voice intercept trainer; Staff Sgt. Kwang-Sik Lim, the senior and best-qualified operator supervisor/squad leader; Staff Sgt. Un-Suk Peacock, a senior operator; and Warrant Officer 1 Steve Lindstrom, the chief of Collection and Processing.

This year, a total of 70 units participated in the mother of all Language Olympics. Competing units included 45 Army, 3 Navy, 1 Marine, 8 Air Force, and 13 combined, joint, or U.S. government organizations from around the

globe. In all, 167 teams of two service members each represented the units in six different languages: Arabic, Chinese-Mandarin, Persian-Farsi, Russian, Spanish, and Korean.

Korean, Chinese-Mandarin, and Arabic are rated as the most difficult languages for Americans to learn.

Each team competed in the same series of six Olympic events, in their own foreign language specialty. These events challenged the individual's ability to effectively communicate — through speaking, listening and reading comprehension — in a foreign language. The interaction between team partners also contributed significantly to success.

Only one event — the Verbal Relay — tested athletic skills as well as linguistic ones. In Verbal Relay, one team member reads a text written in the "target language" and then runs a half mile around a track. Next, the person's team member interrogates the runner (the one gasping for air) in the target language and records essential elements of information in English. This team member completes the relay by turning in the EEI report at the end of a go around the track to the event's judge. The team which correctly answers the most EEIs in the fastest time wins.

Not exactly the physical challenge of the Olympics we're most familiar with, but it does raise the pulse somewhat above the diastolic rate (in blood pressure readings).

In addition to the impressive trophy for Overall Best Unit, both 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion teams brought back plaques in the competition for the best Korean language team. The Lim-Buza tag team took first place among 28 Korean teams. The other team of Lindstrom-Peacock placed third.

These two teams also gained seven

of the 18 Olympic medals, including three gold and three silver, for the separate events in Korean. In addition, Col. Charles Alsup, the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade commander, awarded impact Army Commendation Medals to each of them.

It's no fluke the 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion swept the DODwide event — they've trained hard since early March. After narrowly missing the Best Unit title at the Korean Peninsulawide Language Olympics April 4, unit captain Lindstrom doubled the training momentum. The 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion linguists, along with all other 501st Military Intelligence Brigade contenders, spent a full week before the worldwide competition on sub-tropical Cheju Island — the honeymoon paradise of South Korea — to focus on the language Olympiad away from the demands of the unit mission. Apparently, the unit concentrated more on the mock competition than on the beautiful setting.

A lifestyle of language utilization and training also contributed to these accomplishments. These soldiers use their language on a continuous basis both on- and off-duty. On the job, these linguists work in the context of a dynamic, airborne reconnaissance mission inside the GUARDRAIL Operations Platoon's Integrated Processing Facility.

All four lead from the front in collecting and processing the most timely, accurate, and widely-disseminated signals intelligence within Combined Forces Command (CFC in South Korea). They work side-by-side with Republic of Korea Army soldiers who perform the same duties. In addition, each of them are key players in planning, conducting, and managing the battalion's global, technical, and go-to-war language training.

When the day's mission ends, these soldiers continue to communicate in Korean as members of the Camp Humphreys and larger-off-post communities. Two noncommissioned officers — Lim and Peacock — are Korean-Americans who live in the nearby Anjung-Ri community. Buza and his Korean-American wife also live in Anjung-Ri where he

interacts with Korean family, friends, and anybody else within earshot who speaks Korean.

The 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion — as part of the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade — was named the best command language program within the Defense Department in 1995. Clearly the battalion, along with the rest of the bri-

gade, has a good shot at regaining its title this year. The 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion's CLP is directed by Lindstrom and run on a day-to-day basis by Staff Sgt. Jay Richards.

The bottom line is that winners won and we're proud of them. Winged Vigilance — Above the rest.



## 1997 DLIFLC Foreign Language Olympics winning teams

### Arabic

#### First Place

**694th Intelligence Group  
Fort Meade, Md.**  
Staff Sgt. Paul V. Martindale  
Staff Sgt. Khaled V. Mathen

#### Second Place

**Regional Signal Intelligence  
Operations Center Fort Gordon, Ga.**  
Spec. Daniel Brzoska  
Senior Airman Jennifer Durish

#### Third Place

**163rd Military Intelligence Battalion  
Fort Hood, Texas**  
Staff Sgt. Awny Qubty  
Sgt. John M. Britting

### Chinese (Mandarin)

#### First Place

**303rd Intelligence Squadron  
Osan Air Base, South Korea**  
Tech. Sgt. Troy Goss  
Senior Airman Tiffany Sellers

#### Second Place

**741st Military Intelligence Battalion  
Fort Meade, Md.**  
Sgt. Kaylie Bodenhamer  
Sp. Orin Blomberg

#### Third Place

**Regional Signal Intelligence  
Operations Center Kunia, Hawaii**  
Sp. Walter Lee  
Airman 1st Class Heather Marotta

### Korean

#### First Place

**3rd Military Intelligence Battalion  
Seoul, South Korea**  
Staff Sgt. Lawrence Buza  
Staff Sgt. Kwang-Sik Lim

#### Second Place

**532nd Military Intelligence Battalion  
Seoul, South Korea**  
Warrant Officer Scott Ditty  
Staff Sgt. Bradly Roberson

#### Third Place

**3rd Military Intelligence Battalion  
Seoul, South Korea**  
Warrant Officer Steven Lindstrom  
Staff Sgt. Un-suk Peacock

### Persian (Farsi)

#### First Place

**741st Military Intelligence Battalion  
Fort Meade, Md.**  
Staff Sgt. Mara Martinez  
Sp. Luis Munoz

#### Second Place

**Menwith Hill Station  
Menwith Hill, England**  
Senior Airman Randy Bitter  
Randy Dyer

#### Third Place

**377th Military Intelligence Battalion  
Charlotte, N.C.**  
Sp. Andrew Pelczar  
Sgt. Donna Byers-Hauser

### Russian

#### First Place

**On-Site Inspection Agency  
Washington, D.C.**  
Staff Sgt. John Morash  
Sgt. Todd Yatsko

#### Second Place

**Joint Military Support Facility  
Buckley, Colo.**  
Cryptologic Technician (Interpretive) Joseph Ravitts  
Staff Sgt. John Thrasher

#### Third Place

**On-Site Inspection Agency  
Rhein-Main, Germany**  
Sgt. 1st Class Steven Jolly  
Sgt. Robert Clemons

### Spanish

#### First Place

**110th Military Intelligence Battalion  
Fort Drum, N.Y.**  
Staff Sgt. Joseph Butts  
Sgt. Manuel Figueroa

#### Second Place

**313th Military Intelligence Battalion  
Fort Bragg, N.C.**  
Staff Sgt. Alwin Collard  
Sp. Kimberly Simmons

#### Third Place

**525th Military Intelligence Brigade  
Fort Bragg, N.C.**  
Chief Warrant Officer Wanda Coris  
Sp. Matthew Hoyer

Winners of trophies for best overall unit performances were:

#### First Place

**3rd Military Intelligence Battalion  
Seoul, South Korea**

#### Second Place

**741st Military Intelligence Battalion  
Seoul, South Korea**

#### Third Place

**On-Site Inspection Agency  
Washington, D.C.**

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# Seminars help language managers increase proficiency in the field

By Bob Britton

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The Air Force features the best command language program in the field and needs more linguists. The Army wants increased language proficiency pay for all services linguists, and the Marines are ready for worldwide rapid deployment. These topics surfaced when more than 200 command language program managers from all military services attended the annual DLIFLC Command Language Program Managers' Seminar at the Community Center May 12-16.

"We want to help linguists in the field by providing them with new computer-based training," Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant of DLIFLC and commander of DLIFLC and Presidio of Monterey, said during the opening ceremonies. "We hope you to articulate your needs and come to us for assistance."

Then Chief Warrant Officer 3 Fred Runo and Senior Master Sgt. Michael Scalia, the chief and superintendent, respectively, DLIFLC Proponency Branch, Programs and Proponency Division, Operations, Plans and Programs Directorate, announced the winner of the DLIFLC CLP of the Year award. Devlin presented the trophy to Col. James Hilliard, commander of the Air Force's Medina Regional Signal Operations Center. The runner-up awards were presented to the 201st Military Intelligence Brigade, Fort Lewis, Wash., for the Army; to the Naval Security Group, Rota, Spain, for the Navy; and to the 2nd Radio Battalion, Camp Lejeune, N.C., for the Marines. Devlin mentioned he hopes these awards will encourage greater participation and motivate commanders to improve all command language programs.

"We need to raise the level of basic

language training," said guest speaker Hilliard. "Now linguists need more linguistic smarts, and they need to become better conversationalists. I would like to see DLIFLC graduate students at '3' level proficiency in listening, reading and speaking. I've been in the business of using military linguists for the past 14 years, and I wish we could have 100,000 more of them."

Many military intelligence units rely on computer language-learning labs; SCOLA, the Satellite Communications for Learning channel; periodicals and other sources to sustain their linguists' proficiency levels. They also use DLIFLC services, such as the LingNet on-line service, Video TeleTraining, computer-assisted study programs, mobile training teams and other sustainment materials. Field units also contract with commercial vendors for specific language programs, mentioned Runo, the CLPM seminar coordinator.

Army Capt. Andrew Ornelas, representing the 201st Military Intelligence Brigade, Fort Lewis, Wash., described his unit's resources. These include DLIFLC and Fort Lewis Language Olympic competitions, access to a signals intelligence readiness language facility, target language programs with South Korea and Japan, and quarterly and annual Linguists of the Year programs.

"Our language program is command driven," said Ornelas. "We have a 16-week immersion program for new personnel, especially for those with less than 2/2/2 proficiency levels. We use four hours of global language training weekly. We also keep databases on all linguists for our commanders and provide updates every two months."

Next, Marine Sgt. Bianca Toscano,

the Arabic coordinator, 2nd Radio Battalion, Camp Lejeune, N.C., explained her unit's language philosophy.

"Marine Corps linguists must be tactically proficient and ready at a moment's notice for worldwide deployments," she said. "Most of our linguists are Arabic, Korean, Russian and Spanish. We have cross-trained linguists who are proficient with Bulgarian, French, Serbian-Croatian and Persian-Farsi. The 2nd Radio Battalion has used joint facilities like the RSOC at Fort Gordon, Ga., for refresher training. We also use the Foreign Language Training Center, Europe in Garmisch, Germany."

Marine linguists who are sergeant and below, must attend mandatory six-hour language lab classes weekly, while staff sergeants and above attend two hours weekly. Like other services' units, the Marines rely on VTT training, CAS, area studies, CD-ROMs, the SCOLA channel, and current data bases, Toscano mentioned.

Frank Buschgens, the CLPM from Medina RSOC, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, which is comprised of linguists from four services, but sponsored by the Air Force, gave his viewpoints on related topics.

"We are happy to share our information and material with other field units," Buschgens said. "We use a variety of training types, to include platform courses, modular training, and distance learning to train basic, intermediate and advanced level language students. We are developing a multi-media version of the basic Spanish refresher course for eventual CD-ROM delivery at our joint language training center, which is open seven days a week. About 75 percent of our Spanish linguists have improved their

proficiency levels during the last year.”

For key accomplishments, the Medina RSOC increased the number of instructors at the language center and expanded their modular training, which allows more linguists to receive structured training with less impact on operations than with platform training. Medina takes advantage of off-base immersion programs. For computer funding, the National Cryptologic School gave Medina money for computers and software development of language training programs, Buschgangs mentioned.

On the second day of the seminar, Air Force Language Program Manager Chris Trolley, Air Intelligence Agency, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas, talked about Air Force accomplishments and requirements.

“The Air Force meets recruiting goals with 100 percent fill rates at DLIFLC,” she said. “We established cut-off scores at 95 in the Defense Language Aptitude Battery tests for Category I-III languages and at 100 for Category IV languages. During basic training, the Air Force notifies language trainees what category language they will study at DLIFLC. Also, we have military intelligence noncommissioned officers talk with recruits during basic training.

“Air Force language authorizations are going down, but language requirements are increasing. We need to staff certain sites at 120 percent,” Trolley said. “The Air Force receives annual cryptological training funds of \$1 million, therefore, we emphasize SIGINT personnel over human intelligence personnel.”

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Bruce Ohnesorge represents the Army’s top language echelon, since he is the Army’s Language Program Manager, Department of the Army, Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Washington, D.C. The Army is the government’s largest user and source of military linguists. Worldwide, there are 6,700 languages and about 37,000 dialects.

“The Army annually budgets \$3.4 million to reward outstanding linguists with Foreign Language Proficiency Pay,” Ohnesorge said. “I would like to see military linguists receive increased FLPP.”

Ohnesorge talked mostly about the new and revised Army language regulations and initiatives by the Army Language Committee, which meets quarterly. The committee initiatives include recruiting more native linguists, especially for Arabic and Persian-Farsi; increasing active duty and Reserve Component linguists accessions; and providing increased resources to Reserve Component language units.

“The Army Language Committee wants to see more language immersion training in Korean and Russian,” he said. “The committee wants the Army to determine the necessary English level of proficiency required for native speakers to succeed on the Defense Language Proficiency Tests and to target and recruit more ethnic people in civilian communities to enlist in the Army.

“The ALC plans to relook at the selective re-enlistment bonuses for the Korean language,” said Ohnesorge. “The ALC would like more military intelligence linguists assigned to the Army Recruiting Command. The committee recommended that the Army develop a standard operating procedure for linguist support to manage low-density linguists by language rather than by military occupational specialty.”

Ohnesorge talked about the new Army Regulation 350-16 The Army Language Program, which should be in the field this summer. AR 350-16 emphasizes training and maintaining linguist proficiency and the accountability of linguist training and budgets. The regulation has blank forms included so that commanders can list data on each of their linguists to track language training and proficiency.

AR 350-16 also covers the Army Linguist of the Year Program, which was won this year by Sgt. 1st Class Raymond

Criswell, a DLIFLC Arabic military language instructor with Middle East School I. This competition is for staff sergeants and below who are “2” level linguists in listening and reading proficiency. Candidates must meet Army height and weight standards and pass the Army Physical Readiness Test. This recognition is only one year old, and it encourages linguists to improve not only their language proficiency, but their physical fitness and their community involvement, as well.

Ohnesorge briefly mentioned the new Army Language Technical Proficiency Test which goes to the field in June. The test will challenge both SIGINT and HUMINT soldiers in the Korean and Arabic languages.

CLP managers came from across the continental United States, Hawaii, Japan, South Korea and Germany to share information about the latest developments in language training. Participants were provided briefings on the status of DLPT IV test distribution, new products from Technology Integration, DLI’s Distance Learning Plan, the Joint Reserve Intelligence Program, Joint Task Force Full Accounting, Korean Internet training, updates from the Service Program Managers, and 20 other issues.

The Language Training and Technology/Expo was held May 14 in the community center and was a major success with 43 commercial firms represented and more than 250 attendees. A vast quantity of information concerning commercial language training materials and overseas training opportunities was disseminated, mentioned Runo.

Results from this year’s discussion groups will be posted on the LingNet. OPP plans to send out a pre-seminar questionnaire next year to help ensure that the topics in the 1998 seminar more adequately fit the needs of the audience. CLP managers’ comments and recommendations should be directed to Runo at (408) 242-5047 or DSN 878-5047, or to his e-mail address: runof@pom-emh1.army.mil. 

# Battalion language students learn about realism under simulated combat

Story and photos by Bob Britton

Soldiers from the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion combined their language training with soldierly skills during the realistic language training exercise Rising Star at the former Fort Ord Military Operations on Urbanized Terrain Site April 26.

"We had seven-person squads react to contact, interrogate civilians and captured enemy forces, and assess and treat first aid casualties," said Staff Sgt. John Neitz, the battalion's S-3 non-commissioned officer who ran the exercise. "Students also practiced radio transmissions and translating audiotapes and documents. The soldiers spoke in their target languages of Arabic, Japanese, Russian, Korean, and we had one soldier each practice their Chinese-Mandarin or Hebrew. We also had support from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 149th Armor Brigade, California Army National Guard."



Soldiers listen to and translate tapes from different target languages in a simulated S-2 combat location during the exercise.

The scenario pictured an unsafe haven where a fictional battalion of a parachute infantry regiment secured the perimeter of a town and provided support to the United Nations Command. Unlike previous language exercises, this combat training used several ideas for the first time.

For example, crew members from Company D (Cutters), 1st Battalion, 121st Aviation Brigade (Light Utility Helicopter), California Army National Guard from Stockton, flew the soldiers into the different phases of the MOUT Site in their UH-1 Huey helicopters. Soldiers listened to and translated tapes from different target languages in a simulated S-2 combat location. Another original attraction featured exercise soldiers interrogating native-speaking civilian refugees in a simulated refugee tent city. A fourth new wrinkle added more realism to the MOUT Site when the different squads maneuvered through the tricky Wildcat Assault Course in the tire village under simulated combat conditions. This part of the MOUT Site consists of mountains of discarded vehicle tires which formed exterior and interior walls for a room by room search.

"Language Training Exercise Rising Star involved 49 students, 50 support soldiers and 10 cadre from Company B, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, which ran the show," said Capt. Scott Thorlin, Company B commander. "The exercise participation consisted of soldiers from Companies A, B, D, E and F. We want all soldiers competent in their common task skills and languages, so they practiced movement in an open terrain, land navigation, first aid, and translating audiotape information from different target languages. Company B cadre soldiers led the different squads, which also had observers who gave after action critiques after each phase of the exercise scenario concluded."

After the rotating squads landed by helicopter in the village market place, they assessed and treated mass casualty first aid victims. This scenario simulated three enemy artillery rounds landing in the middle of the market area and injuring several civilians. Student linguists assess and treated the wounded and question the victims in their target languages, mentioned Staff Sgt. Michael Dillon, a Company B platoon sergeant.

Different student squads approached the S-2 building guarded by sentries and identified themselves before the guard let them enter. Inside the facility, student teams listened to audiotapes and translated them and written documents. During the training, Pfc. Shawndra White, a Com-



**Exercise soldiers interrogate native-speaking civilian refugees in a simulated refugee tent city at the former Fort Ord Military Operations on Urbanized Terrain Site April 26.**

pany D Arabic student, guarded the entranceway. “It’s great using real situations,” she said. “It’s an incredible opportunity to be here. I studied French and German in college, but the Arabic course is challenging every day.”

During the simulated realism, soldiers ate Meals Ready to Eat when they had a lengthy break. Spc. Sam Burns, Company B Hebrew student, consumed one of his meals at the S-2 building. “It’s all right to study a language at DLI,” he said. “All language courses are pretty intense. In the future, I plan to become an officer.”

For most of the student soldiers, receiving their first orientation rides in a chopper and learning aircraft safety were highlights of the exercise, mentioned Warrant Officer 2 Mike Kliemann, the pilot in command of one of the UH-1 Hueys. “Each chopper has pilot, co-pilot and a crew chief,” Kliemann said. “Light utility helicopters are a new concept in Army aviation circles, and this is how we train with both active-duty forces and other Reserve Component units.”

Other aviators supporting the mission included Capt. Raymond Watts, the unit’s commander, and flight engineer and co-pilot Warrant Officer Art Richardson. Chief Warrant Officer 3 Walt Gould, the unit’s operations officer, planned the helicopter coordination with the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion for the training exercise Rising Star.

“The LTX is going smoothly, and I credit Sgt. Michael Anderson, Company B training NCO, with his organizational abilities,” said Company B 1st Sgt. Kathleen Collier. “Students like the helicopter rides and the language and Common Skills Training. They also enjoyed time spent on this exercise combining the soldierly and language skills. We’ve had excellent support from all units, since everything came together in the planning stage and the execution phase of the mission.”

“Soldiers are learning helicopter safety and the proper way to get on and off a chopper,” said Lt. Col. Jason Ploen, the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion commander. “Each language exercise gets better than the previous one. We’ve decided to keep this format for future LTXs at the MOUT Site.”



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## Army Arabic linguist garners another prestigious award

Story and photo by Petty Officer 1st Class  
T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

Nearly three months after being named as the top linguist in the United States Army, Sgt. 1st Class Raymond Criswell was again honored by being named as the recipient of the prestigious 1997 Allen Griffin Award for excellence in teaching. The Community Foundation for Monterey County made the presentation April 10 at the Monterey Plaza Hotel.

"I've never worked as hard as I have the last two years as a military language instructor and bishop for our ward," he said. "But, I've never enjoyed as much as what I'm doing and have done over that time frame."

According to Criswell, an MLI who teaches Arabic at Middle East School I, the foundation was named after Allen Griffin, who served in the Army in World War I and II. "He founded the Monterey Herald Newspaper and was a staunch opponent of oil drilling and billboards taking away from the aesthetic beauty of the area," he noted. "Griffin set up funds to recognize teachers who were making a difference in the community."

As the DLIFLC representative, Criswell was up against an impressive field of fellow teachers. Other nominees for the Griffin Award included Cathy Haas of Monterey Peninsula College, Holly Mikkelson of the Monterey Institute of International Studies, and Dr. Richard Doyle of the Naval Postgraduate School.

"From what I understand, the last time a representative of DLI won this award was sometime back," he mentioned.

The competition consisted of four different categories — elementary, junior high, high school and post secondary schools. "To me, it was just an honor to be mentioned with the other people in my category," Criswell said. "I didn't really hold out any hope of winning, given the caliber of people I was grouped together with in the post secondary field. I was very shocked when I heard my name announced as the winner. I mean, if you look at a person like Dr. Doyle of the Naval Postgraduate School — the man is well published, and has constant interaction with U.S. Senators! I was up against some high-caliber and intelligent people."

Criswell said the ceremony was nice. "It just happened to be the day when we were going to have our class photo taken, so I was in my Class A uniform and the only soldier at the ceremony," he continued. "It was a good time with hors d'oeuvres and schmoozing with noted people of Monterey County. I guess you could call it posh. The ceremony began with opening remarks by Community Foundation of Monterey Executive Director Todd Lueders. Then the biographies and accomplishments of all the nominees were read."

Criswell was nominated by Lt. Col. Roderic Gale, the associate provost and the dean of students of DLIFLC. "He nominated me, but I'm not sure what the criteria was in determining the selection or how I was selected from the list of both military and civilian professionals here at DLI."

The native of Kansas City, Kan., related an interesting anecdote as to how the people of DLI found out about his winning of the award. "Nobody from DLI was there to witness the ceremony. From what I heard, Lt. Col. Jack Isler, the Executive Officer of DLIFLC, heard about the ceremony and my winning of



Army Sgt. 1st Class Raymond Criswell displays the plaque he was presented April 10 for being named as the recipient of the prestigious 1997 Allen Griffin Award for excellence in teaching.

the award from his professor at Monterey Peninsula College where he was taking a horticulture class," he mentioned. "Anyway, the professor told Lt. Col. Isler 'not only did I not win, but I lost to this Army guy.' Lt. Col. Isler then asked who and received all the information."

Isler explained. "I was not shocked that Sgt. 1st Class Criswell, the Army's linguist of the year, beat out the instructors of the Naval Post Graduate School, Monterey Peninsula College and Monterey Institute of International Studies for the excellence in teaching award," he said. "Sgt. 1st Class Criswell is a hero and clearly a soldier of extraordinary ability and potential. Again, I was not shocked, but my instructor sure was."

Criswell said that although the award is based mainly on his teaching duties, his community support may have had some bearing as well on the outcome. "The Community Foundation of Monterey Board called me up and conducted a 30-minute interview with me which seemed to go rather quickly," he said. "I felt positive about the interview but still didn't think I had any chance to win. I guess they considered both community involvement and the accomplishments and effect as a teacher that the teacher has on his or her students. They send out members of their board to talk with students of that teacher."

The week was bittersweet for Criswell. "It was a happy evening but as the spiritual leader and Bishop of my Church, I was involved with minister duties with the sad passing of 2 1/2-year-old Brianna Graves, the daughter of Pvt. 2 Ken (of Foxtrot Company) and Cyndee Graves," he said. "I am a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints more commonly known as the Mormons. My church is located in Seaside, and actually, just having that mentioned when they read my biography was award enough for me. You know, Mormons were not always accepted in America's society and misconceptions abounded. So, on one hand I was a bit leery on what type of effect it would have on the board and on the other hand, I was very proud and looked at the positive side of being a Latter-Day Saint.

"As I've said before, to be named up against such great people was an incredible honor. I have to keep pinching myself to remind me that I really did receive the award," he said. Criswell received \$100 for being nominated and \$1,600 for winning the prestigious award.

"I'd like to thank the Community Foundation of Monterey for their generosity, care and concern and for looking for the good in society," he noted. "This award has affected me and has made me want to continue doing good things in the community and at work. It has helped motivate me to go on and continue striving to do my best. I'd also like to thank the Provost Office for nominating me and the Community Foundation for bestowing the award, especially Todd Lueders. He was very cordial and friendly. He and the foundation are making a big impact in the community." 

## Awards

### LEGION OF MERIT

Kelso, Glen, Chaplain (Lt. Col.)

### DEFENSE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

Huneycutt, Edward, Chief Master Sgt.  
Lange, Brian, Staff Sgt.  
Stewart, Andrew, Lt. Col.

### MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

Hanagan, Deborah, Capt.  
Montano, Charlotte, Sgt. 1st Class  
Salanoa, Loi, Sgt.

### JOINT SERVICE COMMENDATION MEDAL

Borling, Derwin, Sgt.  
Niino, Walter, Sgt. 1st Class

### ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL

Frazee, Lance, Sgt.  
Walker, Dawud, Spc.  
Zollinger, Robert, Spc.

### JOINT SERVICE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Walker, Gordon, Staff Sgt.  
Weber, Donald, Staff Sgt.

### ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Bennett, Nancy, Sgt.  
Bonick, Jeffrey, Sgt.  
Grimaldi, James, Pfc.  
Grunenwald, Jeremy, Pfc.  
Kobe, Mark, Pfc.  
Miller, Keith, Pfc.  
Morrison, Patrick, Pfc.  
Reynolds, Joseph, Staff Sgt.  
Robinson, Barbara, Sgt.  
Roqueta, Renee, Pfc.  
Sommer, William, Staff Sgt.  
Tivel, Damon, Pfc.

### GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Choi, Hyun, Spc.  
Douglass, Robert, Spc.  
Ferreira, Alvaro, Sgt.  
Garrett, Cassandra, Spc.  
Mennen, Nicole, Pfc.

### CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Barclay, Daniel, Pfc.  
Bodeman, Wesley, Spc.  
Bowling, Theodore, Capt.  
Cooper, Elizabeth, Spc.  
Geers, David, Pfc.  
Grier, Thomas, Pfc.  
Griswold, Timothy, Pvt.  
Lamb, Mark, Spc.  
Loureiro, Artur, Capt.  
Manish, Paul, Sgt.  
Morris, Daniel, Spc.  
Nielsen, Luke, Pfc.  
Walker, Dawud, Spc.

# Air Force NCO sweeps Training Course Awards at Goodfellow Air Force Base

Story and photo by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

**I**n the pursuit of excellence, there is no finish line." This is the motto of the United States Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Academy at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas, which was established in January 1959. It is definitely a motto that Air Force Tech. Sgt. Matt Arnold lives and works by. This was evidenced April 24 as he not only graduated from the academy, but also swept the end-of-class awards.

Not only did Arnold earn the Academic Achievement Award for having the highest overall academic average, but the school's staff presented him with the Commandant's Award for being voted by the faculty and students as the most outstanding leader in his class. He also won the Communicative Skills Competition and the prestigious John Levitow Award for being selected as the most outstanding student in the combined areas of leadership and academics of Class 97-3.

"This accomplishment is world class and also unbelievable," said DLIFLC Assistant Commandant Col. Eugene Beauvais. "There were approximately 66 other students in his class."

"Tech. Sgt. Arnold's performance at Goodfellow Air Force Base NCO Academy was one of a kind," said Chief Master Sgt. Edward Huneycutt, the former superintendent of the Air Force Element. "By winning all the possible awards, he became the first person ever to do this at the academy. We are all proud of him, and his accomplishments reflect great

credit upon himself, the Air Force Element Defense Language Institute, and the United States Air Force to say the least!"

Arnold has been in the Air Force for 15 years and at DLI since February 1995 when he arrived from Goodfellow. He is currently the noncommissioned officer in charge of the Air Force's SMART Start (Student Motivation and Retention Training) and has been since January. Prior to



that time, he was an Arabic military language instructor with Middle East School II. He said the academy class was occupied mainly by technical sergeants. "There were a few staff sergeants with line numbers (selected for technical sergeant but waiting to pin it on) for technical sergeant and the class consisted of a combination of active duty, National Guard and Reserves."

According to the lead instructor at the academy, Arnold's sweeping of all the awards was a first. "He said that since they began keeping records, it was the first time it had ever happened," he mentioned. "I had a good feeling about some of the awards but still was taken aback. I would've been happy just graduating. I'm not saying the awards didn't mean anything to me, because of course they did. I knew I had a chance, but by winning all the awards, well, that was more than I could hope for."

Of the four awards he received, Arnold said the Commandant's Award was the most surprising. "That was a real shocker to me," he said. "I had a good idea that I would probably receive the Academic Award, and I knew I had a shot at the Levitow."

According to Arnold, the Communicative Skills Award consisted of a competition between himself and his other 66 classmates. "It was basically a speech competition, and we were judged in how well we communicated, expressed ourselves and how articulate we were." And what did Arnold receive for winning this award? "I gave the speech at our class graduation," he noted.

"The Academic Award went to the person with the highest grade average which consisted of all marks received plus the final test and speech," he said. "I was nominated by my classmates for the Commandant's award for leadership. I believe the faculty had input as well, and then I had to go before a board of three people who then selected the winner.

"By far, the most prestigious award was the John Levitow Award. It is the

top award anybody can receive in an Air Force standard proficiency military education school. It is given to the outstanding all-around graduate in his or her respective class," he said. "The award is named after a man who was an Air Force enlisted Medal of Honor recipient during the Vietnam conflict. All points are added up and input from the Academy leaders and faculty are figured in along with the academic scores. I'm sure other intangibles are taken into consideration as well, and my speech also helped me.

"I guess if you keep doing the job the right way long enough, recognition comes your way," he mentioned. "It's not that I go looking for it, Goodfellow has been very good to me and for me.

"The class is a prerequisite for making promotion to master sergeant in the Air Force, and it is a really good course," he noted. "I learned a lot and got a lot out of it. It basically covers the continuous improvement process, team dynamics, national policies, and although it touches on history, it is focused more on quality and communicative skills."

The Air Force NCO requested a seat for the school last September. "I was temporarily assigned duty in Saudi Arabia from September to December 1996," he said. "While I was there, a slot opened, and I began the course March 18."

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Arnold's wife of 15 years, Lisa, and their boys, Patrick and Sean, were happy for him. "My wife was very excited," he said. "She is my main supporter and has more confidence in my ability to achieve



**Air Force Tech. Sgt. Matt Arnold stands next to the three plaques he garnered upon his graduation from the U.S. Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Academy at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas. Arnold, a 15-year veteran, swept the end-of-class awards.**

than I do. In one breath, my boys thought it was neat and in the next breath they were asking what was for dinner. Overall though, I guess I have low expectations when it comes to recognition matters, but I do have high expectations of myself. I'd like to thank my family for all of their support, and I'd also like to thank the Air Force Element for everything they've done for me.

"I really enjoy my work and the responsibilities I've been given," he said. "I still get to teach for a week of Headstart, and I did enjoy teaching Arabic at Middle East II very much. I like the interaction with the students in the classroom."

Arnold's father was prior service. "He was in the Army Air Corps during World War II," he mentioned. "He had a big influence on my outlook and in giv-

ing me respect for what I do. He was a radio operator who flew on B-17's. There is a major difference in what he did compared to what I do. By that, I mean, I come to my job and know that I'm going home to my family every day. When he was working during the war, he didn't know if he would be coming back home or not."

And what words of wisdom would Arnold give young airmen? "Just strive to do your best at whatever tasks you are given," he noted. "Work hard, give the best effort possible and get all the education you possibly can. If you've done that, then you've done all you can do."



# Monterey officially takes over Soldier Field maintenance

Story and photo by Bob Britton

The Presidio of Monterey officially turned over maintenance of Soldier Field and surrounding softball fields to the City of Monterey in a joint partnership licensing arrangement June 12. Although the Army still owns the land, Monterey is funding \$375,000 to lease the property, construct three new softball fields and maintain the area. This agreement allows Monterey to use the facilities and expand its softball recreational program from four diamonds to seven. Under the joint agreement, the Presidio service members will have top priority over non Defense Department civilian recreation teams.

"Military service members have used these recreational facilities for many years. Now we share them with the City of Monterey," said Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant of DLIFLC and commander of DLIFLC and Presidio of Monterey. "The Army celebrates its 222nd birthday on June 14, while Monterey was founded June 3, 1770, and is 227 years old."

Next, former high school teacher and current Monterey Mayor Daniel Albert took the podium in the brief ceremony. "We look at DLI as one of our neighbors and want to continue this relationship," Albert said. "We've never been without the military in Monterey, and this includes Spanish and Mexican forces. The city will spend \$375,000 on this ball field renovation project. This revenue came from hotel room taxes for the city of Monterey."

During the groundbreaking part of the ceremony, Army and Monterey officials turned over the first dirt with gold-painted shovels. Digging up the ceremo-



Monterey Mayor Dan Albert (left); Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant of DLIFLC and commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey; John Kuhn, vice chairman of the Monterey Park and Recreation Commission; Col. David Gross, Presidio of Monterey garrison commander; Fred Meurer, Monterey city manager; and Rich Ruccello, Monterey Neighborhood Improvement Program, take part in the ceremonial groundbreaking June 12.

nal dirt were Devlin, Col. David Gross, Presidio garrison commander; Command Sgt. Maj. Debra Smith, the Presidio's senior enlisted advisor; and a representative from the Directorate of Public Works. Monterey shovelers included Mayor Albert, Fred Meurer, city manager; John Kuhn, the vice chairman of the Monterey Park and Recreation Commission; Les Turnbaugh, special projects manager; and Rich Ruccello from the Monterey Neighborhood Improvement Program.

Turnbaugh mentioned afterward that the construction on the three new ball fields will start July 9 and should be completed 90 days later. People will no

longer be able to park on Soldier Field during construction or afterward. Approximately 1,000 square feet of the lower portion of Soldier Field will be affected by the renovation work.

Army officials in the Pentagon, the Army Corps of Engineers in Sacramento, Presidio leaders and city officials signed the lease-license agreement for the city to maintain the ball park area and Soldier Field in return for use of the facilities. Monterey plans to dig up the existing fields, level them off, resod them and add a third softball field by one corner of Soldier Field. Currently the Soldier Field area has two levels, an upper one for the

parade ground and soccer field, and a lower lever with one softball field and an area for football.

This joint partnership idea first surfaced last August between city officials and the Presidio leadership. "It offers an opportunity to create a facility the city so desperately needs, and to share the use of the improvements," Meurer said in a Monterey Herald article last August.

Kay Russo, director of Recreation and Community Services for Monterey, mentioned last year these additional ball fields would reduce much of the pressure of scheduling teams and baseball diamonds for the 120 youth and adult teams which play in Monterey.

When Col. Ila Mettee-McCutchon was Presidio garrison commander last year, she and the city officials met to discuss this projected joint partnership. As far as she knew at the time, this marked the first formal written agreement between a military installation and a city in which the local municipality was making the improvements with its money instead of using Army funds, according to a Monterey Herald article last August.

In the past, other military installations opened some of their recreational facilities for joint use by the Army and local civilian communities, but the Army always paid for maintenance upkeep, mentioned a Training and Doctrine Command public affairs specialist.

Before the Presidio agreement, Monterey relied on four ball fields located by Lake El Estero, near Palo Verde, at Via Paraiso and in downtown Monterey.

This joint co-operation is a win-win situation for both the Presidio and Monterey. Everybody will be able to use the renovated facility and the city will be responsible for maintenance. Looking toward the future, military services are contracting out base maintenance services as more cost efficient than the military can provide with limited budgets.



## 311th Training Squadron earns second 'Best Unit Mailroom of the Quarter' award

Gay Rearick (center), chief information management support branch, presented the "Best Unit Mailroom of the Quarter" award to the 311th Training Squadron April 21. The program promotes excellence, proficiency, effectiveness, and esprit-de-corps.

Pictured in the above photo from left to right are 311th Training Squadron Custodian of Postal Effects, Staff Sgt. Gerardo Gajeton; Airman 1st Class Jody Giardina, Gajeton's former temporary assistant; Rearick, Loni Nason; and Specialist Dawud Walker. Nason is the Headquarters Battalion mailroom clerk for the entire Army and Marine Corps at DLIFLC. Walker was her assistant.

The plaque is awarded based on inspections of the Unit Mail Service Inspection checklist, TRADOC Form 97-R; the ability to meet post office pick-up and delivery schedules; placing proper endorsements on mail; maintaining clean and correct maintenance

of postal records within the mailroom and reports of postal incidents, complaints and mail service operations efficiency.

"The 311th had stiff competition this quarter," said Rearick. "However, they came through with flying colors. I'd also like to say that each mail clerk should be commended for outstanding service. Loni Nason, the first civilian unit mailroom clerk, is recognized as well today for most improved mailroom. Thanks to all of you. You have made my job much easier, and the quality of life for our soldiers, Marines, sailors and airmen has improved.

"Each quarter, the plaque will be rotated to the mailroom selected as the best for the past three month period," Rearick mentioned. "In addition to the rotating plaque, a small individual mailroom plaque, to be maintained permanently in the selected mailroom, will also be awarded." (Photo by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen)

# *DLIFLC volunteers become Big Brothers, Big Sisters for Special Olympians*

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Story and photo by Petty Officer 1st Class  
T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

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**"L**et me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." That is the motto of the Special Olympics. Skill, courage, sharing and joy are traits that these athletes bring to the games.

The 22nd Area Games of the Monterey County Special Olympics were held May 17, at Monterey Peninsula College with about 380 athletes participating and more than 700 volunteers assisting for the event. According to Larry Horan, the chairman of the Special Olympics of Northern California, those numbers are the highest in the event's history here.

Of those volunteers, 140 were from the DLIFLC. Service members from all branches of the military donated their time from around 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Volunteers were basically big brothers or big sisters for an assigned athlete. They helped the athlete through the events they participated in while giving general coaching.

"I feel really good about being out here, and I wish I had done this before with Special Olympics," said Marine Sgt. Ivan Roney, a Chinese student with the Marine Corps Detachment at DLI. "My athlete is doing well. I'm happy being able to get out in the community, having a good time and assisting in preparing my athlete for his events. It's a great experience, and I think all the DLI volunteers feel much the same way as I do."

Marine Pfc. Travis Clark, a Korean student, agreed with Roney. "This is my first time helping out with Special Olympics, and I'm enjoying the interaction with these special people," he mentioned as he gave words of encouragement to his athlete just prior to a 50-meter race. "It gives me the feeling of being a big brother, and this (volunteering for the Special Olympics) is something I definitely want to do again."

Navy Seaman Beverly Blackwell, a Persian-Farsi student with the Naval Security Group Detachment, said she was happy to be spending the day in a productive manner. "It gives me a great inner feeling to be assisting, and I hope to continue volunteering for Special Olympics wherever I may be stationed," she noted. "I'm trying my best to make them feel just like any athlete — working on their self-confidence. In my opinion, they are all winners out here."

Air Force Airman 1st Class Lea Newman, a Chinese student with the 311th Training Squadron, said Special Olympics is a wonderful event. "I've never done anything like this before, and

I'm having an incredible day," she said. "The opportunity to help a person feels wonderful as does the feeling of giving back to the community."

Newman's athlete was 19-year-old Heidi Hurley who won a medal in the softball throw. "I like Lea and want her to come back and coach me again," said Hurley. "She is kinda like a big



Marine Corps Pfc. Matthew Rector (right), an Arabic student, poses with the athlete he sponsored during the Special Olympics held at Monterey Peninsula College. Many bonds of friendship were started during the games between volunteers and their athletes.

sister to me, and we're having a great time today."

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class George Fehrenbacher, a Seabee at the Naval Postgraduate School, said it was nice to see the high levels of participation. "Everybody is having fun and cheering, and it is an event where everybody wins and has a good time," he said. "Being involved with Special Olympics is something I plan on doing the next couple of years while I'm stationed out here in Monterey. Seeing the smiles on the faces of these people really makes a person feel good."

Fehrenbacher's athlete was 36-year-old Paul Burnham of Watsonville. "He is really into these games and was raring to go when I first met him this morning," Fehrenbacher said. "He told me he was ready to go and that he needed to stretch out, warm up and get the motor rolling. He did superbly, taking a second in the 100-meter run and a second in the long jump."

Army Pvt. 2 Emmy Sweers, a Russian student, had 15-year-old Seaside resident Andrew Baker as her athlete. "He is doing excellent in his events and took a silver medal in the 100-meter run. I'm also having a great time as well," she said. "Everyone wins in the Special Olympics."

Seaman Sonja Washington, a Spanish student with the Naval Security Group Detachment and a former prep and college track and field performer herself, said she was most impressed with the courage of the competing special Olympians. "These people are very courageous and winners for just being here," she mentioned. "With the disabilities they may have, many people would be very down, but this is a great opportunity to show that they are just like anyone else. The kids who are here competing are just like any other kids, and it makes me feel very good being able to help out in any way possible today. I hope to help out again wherever I'm stationed — I'd like to help coach field events such as the shot-put. Today, I was helping out by measuring distances in the long jump as well as checking in competing athletes. They show a lot of courage being out here, and everybody should feel like a winner because that's exactly what they are!"

"Our service members did a super job at the Special Olympics," said Col. David Gross, the garrison commander. "Numerous local leaders, parents and Olympic organizers commented that the success of these games was due to DLIFLC support and participation. I'd like to personally thank all the volunteers and recognize their contributions to the community and the special people in the Olympics."

"On behalf of Special Olympics Monterey County, the Games Committee and the athletes that we serve, we thank you for your generous contribution of time and energy in support of the 1997 Area Games," said Elaine Cole, the 1997 Area Games committee volunteer director. "Your volunteer efforts were invaluable and the heart of the games. Special Olympics is a volunteer organization; it is volunteers who coach, administrate and fill the key positions for the games. It is important to Special Olympics of Monterey County that each volunteer had a positive

experience at the area games. It is hoped that each volunteer's day was filled with wonderful memories of time spent with athletes as well as their families and other volunteers. It can't be stated too often that Special Olympics Monterey County can only exist because of your unselfish contributions. We sincerely thank all the volunteers from DLIFLC and all volunteers in general."

"We love the military volunteers and were very proud to have the DLIFLC Color Guard here this morning kicking off the Games," said Assistant Public Relations Director Ann Rosen. "The volunteers are wonderful, and the athletes are happy having them here. We're very happy with the high numbers, and we couldn't do what we do without all the volunteers."

The mission of the Special Olympics is to contribute to the physical, social, psychological, intellectual and spiritual development of athletes with mental retardation and developmental disabilities. Through successful experience in Olympic-type sports competition, the athletes gain confidence and build a positive self-image associated with success rather than failure. Special Olympics strives to integrate its athletes into society and promote understanding and acceptance of people with mental retardation. It also provides the athletes with opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and share their gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

"Special Olympics lives by the concept that every athlete is a winner. This does not mean that everyone goes home with a gold medal; the idea is that each athlete, by training, competing and giving his/her best effort is a winner. It is our firm conviction that everyone wins — athletes, volunteers, family members and the community at large," said Anne Rawson, the 1997 area games committee director. "Special Olympics is unique in its practice of accommodating competitors at all ability levels in order to give each athlete an opportunity to compete and win. This is achieved by assigning athletes to competition divisions based on skill level, age and sex. At this year's games, competition was held in five different sporting events: aquatics, shot-put, softball throw, long jump and various track races."

The history of Special Olympics dates back to 1968 when Eunice Kennedy Shriver started the games as a daycamp for people with mental retardation. That year, she organized the first International Special Olympics Games, in which 1,000 athletes from the United States, Canada and France competed. Now Special Olympics programs serve more than a million athletes in every state, three U.S. territories and more than 100 countries.

California Special Olympics, a chapter of Special Olympics International, was established in 1969 when Olympic medalist and current California Special Olympics President Rafer Johnson hosted the first Summer Games. Since then, the program has expanded to enable athletes from throughout the state to participate year-round.



# Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts honor America's veterans

Story and photo by Bob Britton



Boy Scout Troop 43 raises the American flag May 23 at the Presidio of Monterey ceremony honoring the Americans that have died in battle. Cub Scouts from Pack 113 also placed miniature American flags by the 388 grave headstones.

These Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts never served in war or in the military service, but they proudly remember and honor America's fallen heroes every Memorial Day at the Presidio of Monterey cemetery. Seven Cub Scouts and their leaders from Cub Scout Pack 113 placed miniature American flags by the 388 grave headstones in the cemetery May 23.

Then on Memorial Day, these young men and others from Boy Scout Troop 43 provided the honor guard and participated in the flag-raising ceremony at noon. They removed the miniature flags that afternoon during a retreat ceremony.

"Memorial Day pays tribute to millions of people from past wars and we honor those veterans buried here from the Spanish-American War up to the Korean War," said Lt. Col. Andrew Stewart, the guest speaker who is the Troop 43 Scoutmaster and POM Judge Advocate General officer. "Today we think of their sacrifices of giving their lives for their country. The POM cemetery has 388 headstones, including infant family members of veterans buried here. We consider family members as heroes, too."

Stewart said the first person buried in the Presidio's cemetery, was Pvt. George Johnson, 9th Cavalry (Buffalo Soldier) Regiment, who died in March 1904. He also said three general officers have a final resting place in this hallowed ground. He talked briefly about one of them, Maj. Gen. Edward Plummer, who died in 1927.

"General Plummer served as the quartermaster with the 10th Infantry Regiment stationed at the Presidio during the early 1900s," said Stewart. He and other soldiers helped build up the post to create the Presidio. Then in 1906 Monterey-based soldiers helped rebuild the Presidio of San Francisco after that year's devastating earthquake.

Stewart joined the Cub Scouts in 1962, continued in the program as he grew older and reached the Boy Scout pinnacle of success, an Eagle Scout. During his military career, he served in various adult Scout leadership roles. He supervises 18 Boy Scouts in Troop 43.

When Cub Scout Pack 113 placed the American flags May 23, their leaders included "Uncle Paul" Sujan, the Boy Scout commissioner for the Monterey Bay Area Boy Scout Council for the past 42 years. Other supervisors included Pack 113 leader Lt. Col. Gary Walker, the chief of the DLIFLC Foreign Area Office; and Command Sgt. Maj. Ronald Solmonson, the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion's senior enlisted advisor.

"During the past 40 years, local area Scouts and myself have participated in the Memorial Day ceremony on the

Presidio,” said Sujan, who at one time directed scouting activities for 68 local-area Scout troops. “I want youngsters to do good deeds and learn from history. In previous years, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts cleaned up the cemetery by washing and cleaning headstones before the Memorial Day ceremonies.”

As people walk around the sacred ground overlooking Monterey Bay and see the names engraved on the headstones, they notice families buried together, graves of 1- and 2-day old infants and the veterans from the different wars. For example, several soldiers served in two wars, either the Spanish-American War and World War I, or World War I and World War II.

Veterans and their families made advance reservations for burial in the small cemetery which filled up by 1953. Retired Air Force Col. Henry Fisher became the last person interred here in Nov. 8, 1990. He was born in 1908 and served in World War II and the Korean War, mentioned Stewart.

Shiro Nagajima, a Japanese prisoner of war during World War II, died Oct. 19, 1945, and occupies one final resting place. As a POW, he was imprisoned elsewhere but brought to the Presidio for burial.

Sgt. Pedro Tagayuna was born in California and died June 30, 1943. He served with the 1st Philippine Infantry during World War II.

Another headstone marks the grave of Cpl. Harry Kline, a Korean War veteran who was born May 29, 1926, in New York. He served with the 5th Cavalry (Infantry) and 1st Cavalry (Infantry) Regiments during the Korean conflict and died for his country Sept. 15, 1950.

Following an orderly process, one section of the cemetery contains most of the Spanish-American War soldiers. Then other sections line up the deceased from World War I or World War II. Several family members rest at the Presidio, either next to their spouses or fathers, or in the same plot. These people are all heroes and rest in peace.

Cub Scouts from Pack 113 who placed the American flags on the graves were Duncan and Lucas Skjaret, Eric and Brian Solmonson, Landon Lee, Alex Nobles, and Kenneth Walker. Marine Pfc. Benjamin Gregory also helped out during the Memorial Day ceremony.

A few days after the Presidio ceremony, Department of Public Works employees and soldiers from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, took on the responsibility of providing maintenance upkeep of the cemetery grounds.



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## Centuries-old ceremony lives on



Story and photos by Joseph Morgan

“For an hour or so I felt as if I were in Japan,” said Army Capt. Kimbra Patterson. She was one of 18 DLIFLC students of Japanese who were invited one afternoon in mid-May to participate in the ages-old Japanese custom of *chanoyu*, the ritualized preparation and serving of carefully brewed cups of tea to honored guests. Westerners have come to know this hospitable demonstration as the tea ceremony.

Participation in the ritual was at the invitation of Monterey Peninsula resident Yasuko Matsui, a tea ceremony devotee who has attained mastery in performing it.

Matsui maintains a tea house, which she has given the name Shoyoan, on the premises of her home in Pebble Beach. In keeping with a custom among masters of the tea ceremony she uses a classical artistic name for herself, which is Soyo.

Matsui’s tea house is reached by walking a winding path through the classical Japanese garden behind the Matsui residence.

This was not the first time Matsui, a

native of Japan, had welcomed DLIFLC students of Japanese to her home for the ceremony, explained Yoshie Okazaki, one of three Japanese Department instructors who accompanied the students. Okazaki said tea ceremony invitations are Matsui’s way of showing her support for DLIFLC’s Japanese program and for the students’ interest in her homeland.

Matsui received the students at the door of her home accompanied by Kozue Knowles, also a Pebble Beach resident and native of Japan, who is an advanced student of the ceremony under the tutelage of Matsui. Both wore elegant Japanese kimono for the occasion.

The visitors exchanged shoes for slippers at the alcove of the house, and it was Knowles who guided them serenely along a path through the garden past stands of bamboo, shrubs, trees, flowers, a stone lantern, a miniature waterfall and across stepping stones to the teahouse. The walk through the garden is meant to help free the mind of everyday cares as preparation for the tea ceremony, Knowles explained.

By its architecture, the wooden teahouse where the ceremony took place is evocative of Japan of centuries past. Some of the guests took time to admire its sliding doors and the joinery of beams which builders had fastened in place without the use of nails.

Historians say the tea ceremony was brought to Japan from China in the 16th century. Japanese practitioners of Zen Buddhism embraced it as a way to achieve earthly tranquility.

In harmony with Japanese aesthetics, the teahouse interior was of simple decor, the floor covered with *tatami* — mats woven from straw. A prized hanging scroll was among the room’s few adornments.

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Jose Gonzalez and Army Capt. Daniel Albert had been chosen for the roles of first and second guest respectively, and when they entered the tearoom they took their places seated on the floor opposite hostess Matsui. The other guests gathered around them to

observe.

From behind a sliding panel Matsui brought the accouterments of the ceremony, which included a heavy iron tea-kettle and heirloom ceramic cups. The formal preparation and pouring of the tea followed, and Knowles coached the guests on what to say in Japanese and how to accept and handle the filled cups and the bite-sized sweets that were passed to them. Her narration of the prescribed etiquette of the ceremony made it meaningful to the on-lookers as well.

Matsui explained that the spirit of the ceremony was mutual respect and equality among people, adding that these are values upon which world peace is built.

“You are the peacekeepers,” she told the guests.

When the demonstration was concluded, tea and sweets were served to the remaining guests, and each had a turn at using a whisk to transform the tea in their cups to its proper frothy texture.

Air Force Lt. Col. Tom Mouch, one of the students, said the step-by-step narration of the ceremony complemented what his class had been focusing on in the classroom, which was describing the processes of performing various tasks and functions.

“The timing of this tea ceremony was perfect,” Mouch said.

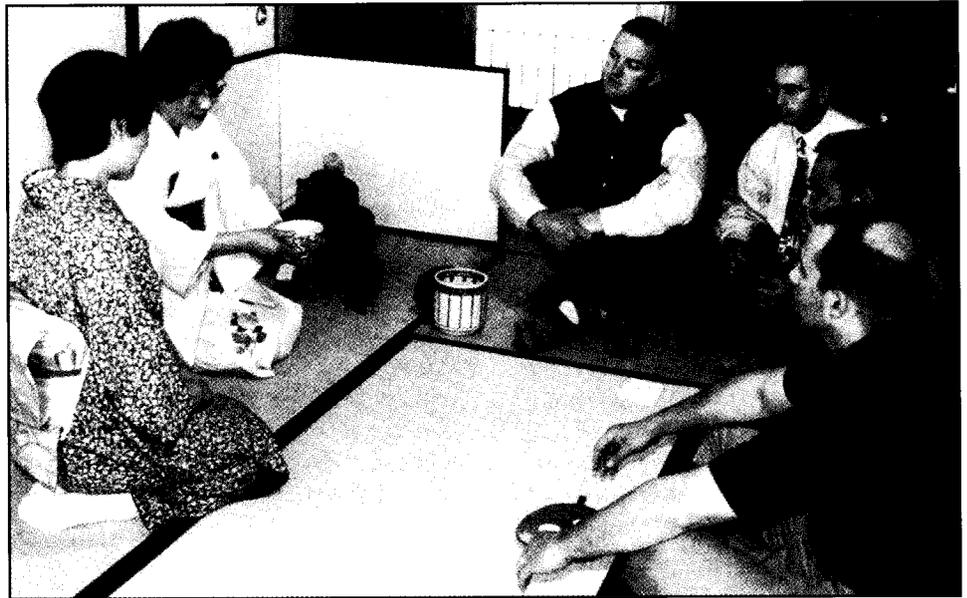
Politeness and decorum ruled.

“Many of the Japanese qualities that we learned and read about were embraced in this ceremony,” Patterson said.

Other students who attended were Navy Lt. Christopher Adams, Navy Chief Petty Officer Robert Audiss, Army Capt. David Davis, Army Capt. Paul DeGironimo, Navy Cmdr. John Hedlund, Army Sgt. Leon Ladrillono, Army Sgt. Lorene Lefors, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Guido Mangiatini, Army Staff Sgt. John Kenneth Olson, Army Capt. Louis Ortiz, Army Sgt. Richard Pine, Navy Lt. Yvonne Reid, Army Pvt. 2 Teresa Von Emster and Navy Lt. Cmdr. Takashi Yamamoto.

Instructors who also attended were Eiko Kraynak and Kayo Littlefield. 

(Opposite page) Kozue Knowles, advanced student of the tea ceremony. (Right) Knowles looks on as tea is served to visitors from DLIFLC by Yasuko Matsui in the tea house on the grounds of the Matsui residence. The visitors, from left, are Army Sgt. Richard Pine, Navy Lt. Christopher Adams, Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Jose Gonzalez and Army Capt. Daniel Albert. (Below right) Matsui in the garden of her home. (Below left) Knowles points out features of the classically styled garden.



# High school students oriented about military life

Story and photo by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

**T**he Mount Miguel High School World History Honor Class paid a visit to the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center and was oriented about the day-to-day lifestyle of a military linguist. The 80 students and 10 faculty members from Spring Valley, Calif., were at the Presidio from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. March 13 at the Edge Club.

According to Sgt. 1st Class Susan Walker, an Army recruiter with Recruiting Station, El Cajon, and the liaison/coordinator for the students, this was the second year in a row of visiting DLI. "The coordination was much better this year, and we had a higher level of good students participating," she noted. "They really seemed to enjoy being here and

having lunch while learning a little about military life and what it would be like to be a military linguist. It was well done, specifically the interrogation by Army Staff Sgt. Fred Wagar of one of the students. The other students really enjoyed that as well. I would like to thank the military language instructors who took time out of their busy schedules to talk with the students. I know they were impressed by the training provided by the Institute and what possibilities exist in the military."

The options stressed by the representatives of the Army, Air Force and Marine military language instructors who talked with the students included the following points: potential careers in the military as a linguist; advantages of military service; ways in which the military can help fund a college education; civilian career skills acquisition via the mili-

tary; hands-on application of language skills; sense of purpose and equality of opportunity afforded by all the military branches.

Walker said the 80 students consisted of sophomores planning for their future. Besides the possibilities of the military as an alternative avenue, the students also stopped and visited Stanford University and California State University at Monterey Bay.

Walker hopes to continue with this field trip every year. "I hope to be leading another group of 80 students up here next year," she mentioned. "We are going to do this every year or for just as long as the funds will allow us to."

MLIs who talked with the students included Wagar, Air Force Staff Sgt. Edward Smithers and Marine Corps Staff Sgt. James Breden. 



Marine Corps Staff Sgt. James Breden, a military language instructor, talks to the Mount Miguel High School World History Honor Class about life in the Marine Corps and life as a linguist. The 80 students along with 10 faculty members from Spring Valley, Calif., visited the Presidio and had lunch at the Edge Club March 13.

# DLIFLC Marine Corps graduate serves as unofficial ambassador to Japan

By Marine Corps Cpl. Todd Greenwood  
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MCAS Futenma, Okinawa, Japan — Meet the Marine Corps' unofficial ambassador to Japan. Lt. Col. David Rann, a student at Japan's National Institute for Defense Studies, has spent nearly a year as the sole Marine among the 44th class of NIDS. Rann will soon take the helm as the assistant chief of staff, G-5, Marine Corps Base, to handle civil relations involving Marine bases in Japan.

"G-5 is normally plans," said Col. Robert Essink, the assistant chief of staff, G-3, MCB. "But the G-5 shop here will deal with the local community issues, senior Government of Japan agencies and visiting representatives with the Government of Japan."

Rann took part in an April 23 tour of MCAS Futenma with his NIDS class, and later attended a luncheon and open discussion of the U.S.-Japanese joint military role in the Pacific rim region.

NIDS is the Japanese Self Defense Force equivalent of the U.S. Armed Forces National Defense University and equates to the U.S. Armed Forces senior-level war colleges. The tour's goal was to provide an in-depth analysis of the missions of U.S. Forces, Okinawa, as well as to broaden students' understanding of the U.S. security role in the Asia-Pacific region.

Among the more than 40 members of the 44th course are JSDF, Thai and Korean officers, representatives of Japanese industry and an Army and an Air Force representative. During the tour, Rann had the opportunity to see firsthand the air station at the forefront of the base reduction issue.

As recently as spring 1995, while

stationed at Headquarters Marine Corps, Rann knew nothing of NIDS and little about the Far East. Nevertheless, he received orders, and by April 1995, Rann's wife Elizabeth, and children Paul, 5, and Allison, 3, found themselves Monterey, Calif.-bound. There, Rann began a year of intensive language training at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center. He didn't know at the time what he'd be doing following DLIFLC, but by summer 1996 Rann and his family were reassigned to Tokyo.

Rann began another yearlong school and was soon immersed in study of Japanese national defense, regional politics and industry. Through the program, he traveled throughout Japan and the Pacific rim (countries bordering on or within the Pacific Ocean/Far East area), honing his language skills and learning the ways of Asiatic societies. He recently learned that all this training was preparing him to assume duties as assistant chief of staff, G-5, for Marine Corps Bases Japan. As the G-5, Rann will be the liaison for all matters that involve Marines and Japanese at Camp Butler, Okinawa; MCAS Iwakuna and Camp Fuji and will oversee a staff of experienced public affairs personnel.

"I believe they're in the process of hiring right now," Rann said. "Some of them will be civilians with experience in the field, and language skills are a priority, of course. I think the command realizes the G-5 is an important job, and they're putting together a staff to work with issues raised by the Special Action Committee on Okinawa."



Of his experience at NIDS, Rann said the most useful part had been the exposure to his Japanese peers.

"We've traveled all over Japan, visited Japanese Self Defense Force bases and industries," he said. "The class is made up of quite a few representatives of industry, most of those involved in military manufacture — and we have government representatives also."

"Another thing I learned from the school is how important the U.S. security arrangement is and the U. S. presence in Japan," he said. "I believe that without a U.S. presence here, and a good relationship with Japan through the security alliance agreement, the stability of the area could quickly deteriorate."

"I'm excited about coming to Okinawa," he said. "I came down early to meet some of the staff, and I feel welcomed already. The Okinawan people I've been able to meet have been very friendly. I'm especially looking forward to the family-oriented environment Okinawa appears to offer. I get the impression there's lots to do." 

# Former Presidio of Monterey commander looks back to 1970

Story and photo by Bob Britton

**R**etired Col. Richard Cross served as the Presidio of Monterey commander in 1970 while assigned to Fort Ord when it was an Infantry Basic Training Center. He also commanded the 3rd Infantry Regiment (Old Guard) at Fort Myer, Va., during President John F. Kennedy's funeral in November 1963.

During World War II, Cross was assigned to the Airborne School at Fort Benning, Ga., and received his orders to go to the Pacific Theater of Operations, assigned to the 11th Airborne Division. He processed through Fort Ord for a few weeks at the replacement depot there. When he had some free time at night, he and other officers enjoyed the Mission Ranch in Carmel or the Naval Postgraduate School's officers club.

Cross returned to Fort Ord in Sep-

tember 1970 after a tour in Panama, he mentioned.

"I was with the U.S. Army Southern Headquarters Command in Panama and was the commander of the Atlantic side of Panama," he said. "Prior to that, I was the deputy commandant of the School of the Americas, which is now located at Fort Benning, Ga. This fine school taught basic branch subjects, such as infantry, engineering, military police, and quartermaster and sophisticated subjects taught at the Command and General Staff College. A basic airborne course and jungle school were also a part of the curriculum.

"During my second Fort Ord tour, I was on the post staff as deputy director for Industrial Operations or logistics," Cross said. "I was also later given the afternoon job as commander of the Presidio of Monterey. I spent the morn-

ings at Fort Ord and the afternoons at the Presidio. My quarters were 345 Fitch Ave., on the Presidio, which is the end house with an excellent view of Monterey Bay. I think my selection as the Presidio commander had to do with me being in logistics and my superiors thought I would be suitable for the job."

When Cross was commander of the Presidio, it looked about the same, but the Army had little money for maintenance of the grounds. He did the best he could with limited resources.

"As the deputy post commander of Fort Ord, I was in a command position for logistics, too," he said. "The commanding general at Fort Ord was the overall commander of both installations. But the post commander at that time was a colonel and called deputy post commander. That was my job title. I wore both hats for about a year. It was a very nice job for me, and I enjoyed it very much."

Comparing the Presidio of 1970 to now, there were fewer students and facilities then. Today, DLIFLC facilities have built up considerably with more students, classrooms, barracks and fitness centers.

Cross also studied a language at the DLI East Coast Branch.

"I studied Spanish in the DLI East Coast Branch, which is now DLI-Washington," he said. "The Presidio of Monterey was the western branch of the language school. I also took about 40 hours of Burmese for familiarization. At that time, everybody had to be language-qualified and have a little knowledge of the language for future assignments."



Retired Army Col. Richard Cross addresses the local chapter of the Military Order of World Wars veterans Dec. 5, 1996 at the Rancho Canada Golf Club in Carmel Valley.

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# Army flag carries 173 campaign streamers

By Bob Britton

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The Army's 222nd birthday and Flag Day both fall on June 14. Both the American and Army flags represent valor, sacrifice, freedom and pride, and play an important part of our country's heritage. From 1775 to the present time, American soldiers and civilians participated in 173 different campaigns from the Revolutionary War to the Persian Gulf War.

During the birth of our nation from 1775 to 1871, Americans fought in 16 campaigns of the Revolutionary War. These campaign battle streamers attached to the Army flag represent places such as Lexington, Fort Ticonderoga, Boston, and Quebec in 1775. Then in 1776, American patriots and soldiers fought in battles at Quebec, Charleston, Long Island and Trenton. Princeton, Saratoga, Brandywine and Germantown campaigns came the following year. The battles of Monmouth and Savannah occurred in 1778-1779. Americans still campaigned against the British in 1781 at Cowpens, Guilford Court House, N.C., and the final British surrender at Yorktown, Va., which ended the hostilities.

Next came the War of 1812 with campaign streamers from the battles of Canada, Chippewa, Lundy's Lane, Bladensburg, Fort McHenry, and New Orleans. This second war against the British lasted from 1812-1815.

After years of peace and westward expansion, the United States and our southern neighbor Mexico opposed each other during the Mexican War, 1846-1847. We added 10 campaign streamers to the Army flag for battles fought both in the United States and Mexico. American soldiers fought in places like Palo Alto and Monterey in 1846. The following year they saw action in Buena Vista, Vera Cruz, Ciero Gordo, Contreras,

Molino Del Ray and Chapultepec on Mexican soil. We color these streamers green and golden yellow.

Americans opposed Americans, sometimes family members or relatives fought against each other, during the Civil War, 1861-1865. Soldiers participated in 25 campaigns, most of them on Virginia soil. We remember places like Fort Sumter and Bull Run in 1861; the Mississippi River campaign (1862-1863), the Virginia battles of the Peninsula campaign, Shiloh, Manassas, Antietam, and Fredericksburg in 1862; and Murfreesborough, Tenn. (1862-1863). In 1863 blue and gray forces valiantly fought each other in Chancellorsville, Va., Gettysburg, Pa., Vicksburg, Miss., Chicamauga and Chattanooga, Tenn. The next year, 1864, soldiers fought in the Wilderness, Atlanta, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Shenandoah, Franklin and Nashville campaigns. The Civil War ended when Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered his Confederate forces to Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House, Va., in 1865.

Before and after the Civil War, our soldiers fought 14 campaigns against various Indian tribes from 1790-1891 as the young country expanded southward and westward. American soldiers opposed different Indian tribes such as the Miami, Creeks, Seminoles, Black Hawks, Comanches, Modocs, Apaches, Nez Pierce, Cheyenne and Utes.

The Spanish-American War took place in 1898. The Army earned three campaign streamers at Santiago, Cuba, Puerto Rico and Manila, the Philippines.

Two years later, 1900, our American forces participated in the China Relief Expedition in China. We earned battle streamers at Tientsin, Yang-Tsui and Peking.

Again our soldiers were deployed overseas to the Philippines from 1899 to

1913. Most battles were fought in 1899, another battle was 1902-1905, and other separate campaigns were fought in 1905, 1906 and 1913. These 11 campaign streamers added to the Army's heritage.

Soldiers also participated in the Mexican Service campaign, war with Mexico from 1916-1917 and earned one more addition to the Army flag.

Our participation during World War I took our forces to Europe from 1917-1918. The Army earned 13 more streamers for the World War I Victory campaigns.

Americans participated in an American anti-submarine campaign, 1941-1945, and received one streamer.

The Army flag got heavier after World War II ended as we added 21 Asiatic Pacific Theater campaign streamers and 16 more streamers for the European-African-Middle Eastern campaign.

For the Korean War, the Army earned 10 streamers for different United Nations offensive campaigns from 1950-1953.

American soldiers participated in 17 different campaigns during the Vietnam War, 1967-1973, in various offensive and counteroffensive battles.

Three Armed Forces Expeditionary campaigns found our soldiers in the Dominican Republic, 1965-1966; Grenada, 1983; and Panama, 1989-1990.

We earned our final three streamers, numbers 171-173, for Southwest Asia Service for the Defense of Saudi Arabia, 1990-1991; the Liberation and defense of Kuwait, 1991; and the Southwest Asia cease fire, 1991-1995.

Many people paid the ultimate sacrifice in past wars and gave their lives for our freedom.

We honor all who serve and proudly carry the Army flag and its 173 campaign streamers in parades and at military ceremonies.





# AUSA Stilwell Chapter sponsors inaugural softball tournament

Story and photos by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

**P**laying good, sound fundamental softball and coming up with the big hits in clutch situations, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, came from behind to edge the Marine Corps Detachment "A" Team 11-10, May 13 capturing the inaugural Association of the United States Army Stilwell Chapter-sponsored softball tournament.

Twelve teams entered the single elimination competition which was held at the Pacific Grove softball field on 17 Mile Drive, May 12-13. Teams were allowed to have 15 players on their roster, and the tournament seeding brackets were determined by a blind draw. Col. Daniel Devlin, commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey and commandant of DLIFLC, was on hand to throw out the ceremonial first pitch.

HHD began its drive to the title by bombing the Air Force Element team 14-2 in the first game of the tournament. They then bested the Echo Eagles of the

229th, 10-2, placing them in the championship bracket via a bye due to scoring the most (24) runs in the first two games. (The team scoring the most runs in the first two rounds was granted a bye in the third round and automatically placed in the title game.)

The MCD-A squad made it to the finals by nipping Headquarters and Headquarters Company in a pitcher's duel, 3-2 in their opening game. They next defeated Bravo Company, 229th, 9-3. In a game deciding who would face off against HHD, the Corps beat Charlie Company, 229th, 6-2.

Charlie Company, finishing as the third-place team in the tournament, made their way to the semi-finals by narrowly defeating the Naval Security Group Detachment-Gold team in a very exciting 14-13 contest. They then took out Alpha Company in another squeaker, 6-5 before running into the Leatherneck "A" team and falling, 6-2.

The AUSA championship game was played under the lights at 8 p.m. Although HHD held an early 2-1 lead after two innings, the Corps struck for three runs in the top of the third inning and an additional five runs in the top of the fourth inning building a seemingly insurmountable 9-3 lead. HHD however was ready to battle back and battle they did. In the bottom half of the fifth inning, HHD struck by pushing five runs across the plate highlighted by five base hits in a row — all singles. The Corps came back with a single tally in the top of the sixth and final inning of the game. HHD, in its last at bat and trailing 10-8, pulled out the game and championship in dramatic fashion. After Pedro Flores reached base on a walk, their next hitter, Ron Solmonson, bounced into a fielder's choice before Chris Holston popped out to third base. With two outs and trailing by two runs, HHD's leadoff hitter Stephen Tharp singled bringing in one run. Coach/second baseman Derek Sheets



A panoramic view of softball action that took place May 12 in opening round action of the inaugural Association of the United States Army Stilwell Chapter sponsored softball tournament. Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, won the tourney with a hard fought 11-10 victory over the Marine Corps Detachment "A" team.

then singled setting the stage for number 3 hitter, Michael Hollis. Hollis became the man of the hour for HHD by slamming a long double down the left field line scoring Tharp with the tying run and Sheets with the winning run.

"Going up there with two outs, I just wanted to hit it and get it over with," said Hollis about his game-winning hit.

"Overall, we played quite well," said coach/second baseman Derek Sheets. "We were a bit flat during most of the championship game, but we pulled it out with some clutch hitting in the last couple of innings. The bottom of the fifth inning was the momentum shifter for us when we scored five runs. We did make a large number of errors in the title game after only committing two errors in the first two games."

"It was a good tournament, well organized and run by the DLIFLC Public Affairs Office under Michael Murphy's leadership. The T-shirts AUSA provided to the top three teams are really nice. However, if we have another one of these in the future, I hope it becomes a double-elimination tournament and that it is played on the weekend vice weekdays," Sheets noted. "That title game was a real roller coaster type game though -- we all had our ups and downs and pulled it out with a total team effort. The Corps played well and has a heckuva team."

HHD pounded out 15 hits in the championship game. Their hitting attack was led by Brian Jaskiewicz who had three singles while Hollis, John Romero, Arturo Flores and Charles Miller all had two hits apiece. The Corps 18-hit attack was paced by outfielder Mike Oshea who went 4 for 4 at the plate in the tough loss.

With its 27 members, all of whom are staff E-4s and above, HHD is the newest member of the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion having officially become a detachment Oct. 1. "This is our first trophy, and I'm sure we will have no problem finding a place for it," mentioned Sheets. "I guess with our small amount of people, we were quite lucky to have such a talented bunch of softball players. If you look at some of the other Army detachments or companies, well, they have much larger numbers than we do."

HHD, MCD-A and Charlie Com-



**Col. David Gross, garrison commander, presents the championship trophy of the inaugural Association of the United States Army Stilwell Chapter sponsored softball tournament to HHD coach Derek Sheets at the awards ceremony and barbecue on Soldier Field May 15.**

pany were invited to the postgame barbecue May 15, at Soldier Field. Right after the three-inning one-pitch exhibition game between the Better Opportunites for Single Service Members and the DLIFLC and POM command staff team, team trophies and T-shirts were awarded for their respective placements by Garrison Commander Col. David Gross and AUSA Stilwell Chapter First Vice President Dr. James McNaughton. The BOSS organization supplied hotdogs, chips and sodas for the occasion.

HHD team players were Stephen Tharp, Derek Sheets, Michael Hollis, John Romero, Arturo Flores, Charles Miller, Brian Jaskiewicz, Pedro Flores, Ron Solmonson, Chris Holston, John Neitz, Russ Taylor, Marisela Arias, Monica Ayres and David Barlet.

MCD-A players were Josh Hinson, Mike Oshea, Jose Ruiz, John Wardell, William Lee, Robert Meza, Hans Prael, Matt Rector, Eddie Adamson, William Vargas, Jamie Stencil, Jimmy Dixon, Sally Parker and Michael Todd.

"We had good unit participation with

12 teams in the field, and there were some very competitive and great games played during the two-day tournament," said DLIFLC Public Affairs Officer Michael Murphy, one of the main organizers of the tournament. "I feel for an inaugural tourney, it ran very smoothly, and I'm looking forward to the next one. Three beautiful trophies were awarded to the top three teams and some very nice T-shirts to those teams as well. I'd also like to thank the corporate sponsors of AUSA Stilwell Chapter and all the people who helped out in any way with this tournament, specifically Mr. Harry Courtney for doing the bulk of the umpiring duties and Tom Jager, one of the corporate sponsors, who also helped out by umping a couple of ballgames. I'd also like to thank the Pacific Grove Recreation Department for everything they did. Hopefully, this event helped bring light to AUSA and what it is all about and what it can do for today's soldiers."





## *program is looking for additional members*

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T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

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**A**re you looking to be a part of something and have your voice heard when it comes to issues pertaining to living and working at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center? If so, then the Better Opportunities for Single Service Members organization is for you.

BOSS recently supplied the hot dogs, chips and sodas for the first, second and third place teams in the inaugural Association of the United States Army softball tournament during the awards ceremony May 15 at Soldier Field. Air Force Senior Airman Veronica Giacovelli, BOSS secretary since January, said, "the organization is always looking for new members," as she flipped hot dogs on the grill during the barbecue.

"We certainly had a nice turnout of people to go along with an absolutely gorgeous day today in the high 80s for this event," she said. "I'm not sure how our softball team is doing though against the command group in the one-pitch tournament, but they look like they are having a lot of fun out there. I'd like to thank everyone for their support of not only today's event but all BOSS related events."

Giacovelli and BOSS President Tyanetta Dawson, a specialist with Alpha Company, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, said that BOSS is planning many events. "We have a Hawaiian Beach Luau scheduled for the future, and once we figure out the details, we will announce the date, location and time," said Dawson, who has been the president since November 1996. We also recently had a barbecue at the Santa Cruz Boardwalk, and that was a big hit. We try and keep the costs down for the single service members here. I think one of our biggest successes of late was the Great America Trip where 176 single service members signed up for the BOSS-sponsored trip and had a delightful and fun day at the theme park."

Both Dawson and Giacovelli said that BOSS participation has been good and on the increase. "We like the direction our organization is heading and what we have accomplished," Dawson mentioned. "However, we want to continue keeping interest, awareness and participation high. I want to stress that if anybody is interested about joining BOSS or wants to find out more about us, you can get in touch with your BOSS representative. Every company or unit has one. We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. in the first floor conference room of building 614. Also, we openly welcome comments or suggestions. People can reach us once again through the company or unit representative." 



Air Force Senior Airman Veronica Giacovelli, BOSS secretary, loads up Marine Gunnery Sgt. Jose Ruiz's plate during the AUSA softball tournament awards ceremony and cookout.

## Chaplain's assistant wins prizes on television game show

**By Staff Sgt. Grant Gundle**  
 Chaplain's assistant, Presidio of  
 Monterey Annex chapel

*(Editor's note: Staff Sgt. Grant Gundle and about 20 other soldiers and family members from the Presidio of Monterey/ POM Annex drove to the Los Angeles area May 27 to see two television shows. He participated as a contestant on "The Price is Right" and won several prizes. The package tour was arranged by Capt. Jeffrey Elliott, former Headquarters and Headquarters Company commander, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, and his wife. Gundle has been an Army chaplain's assistant for six years. He came to the Presidio in July 1996 after an assignment with the Multinational Force and Observers in Sinai, Egypt. He and his wife, Christine, have an 8-year-old son, Timothy).*

I thought the trip to the "Tonight Show" and the "Price is Right" would be an exciting and new experience for my mother and myself. When I first heard about the trip through Capt. Jeffrey Elliott, Headquarters and Headquarters Company commander, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, at the time, I asked him to put my name on the list. When I told my mother about it, she decided to plan her visit at that time so she could go along. My wife was out of town for the trip.

We left the Presidio of Monterey May 27. We drove to Los Angeles, checked into the hotel, and took off to the NBC studio to see the "Tonight Show" with Jay Leno. The videotaping of that show was aired the same night. The next morning, we went to the CBS studios where they film "The Price is Right." We checked in, went to lunch, returned, and waited in line until we were directed into the studio.

There were about 315 people waiting



in the line, with name tags and numbers on their shirts. The CBS staff took about 20 people at a time around the building where they would be "interviewed" by the producer, who simply asked each person's name and something about themselves. When it was our turn, all 20 of us walked around the building where we stood in single file. The producer asked us the same questions as the rest of the contestants.

I was in the back of our line. (Who says it isn't good to be last?) Just about everyone in the group basically said their rank, name and what they did in the Army.

My mother was in front of me and introduced herself, "My name is Catherine Gundle, and I'm here from Largo, Fla., visiting my son who is in the Army stationed at the Presidio of Monterey." The producer replied with, "He must be the good looking one behind you." She answered, "The one with all the hair." (I shaved my head with a razor that morning and coated it with baby oil as I do most of my mornings).

That's when the producer asked, "And you, sir?" I was a bit nervous and didn't know what to say. "My name is Grant Gundle, and as you can see, I am in the U.S. Army (for we all had our class A's on) and stationed at the Presidio of Monterey with the rest of them. I'm just happy to be here, and I am having a wonderful time."

"OK." Then we were directed down the sidewalk to wait to enter the studio. After everyone was interviewed, we fil-

tered into the studio.

The set of "The Price is Right" is a lot smaller than it appears on television (at least I thought). After everyone sat down, the show's announcer named Rod came out to prep the audience and explain the procedures of the filming or videotaping. He said that the initial four contestants will be announced and written on cards up on the stage. This was because at the beginning of the show, it is hard to hear the names that are called, so look for your name, too. No one from our group was asked to "Come on down."

After the first round, host Bob Barker asked Rod to call out the next contestant. "Grant Gundle, come on down, you're the next contestant on 'The Price is Right.'" I was in disbelief. There was no way I was on "The Price is Right." After three rounds, I finally made it off of contestants' row and onto the stage. I won a sailboat. Then, I had a chance to win a desk, a couch, and a treadmill.

All I had to do was tell Bob which one of the three prizes cost the most. I looked out into the audience to see what my fellow soldiers and friends had to say, but there was a huge studio camera blocking my view. So I put my faith in the rest of the audience. All I saw were two fingers sticking up from each hand in the crowd. I told Bob, number two. Sure enough, I was a winner.

When it was time to spin the big wheel, I was last to spin. The first girl busted. Then the second girl got 80 cents. My first spin, I got 70 cents and had to spin again. Unfortunately, I busted and did not make it to the Show Case Show Down. My prizes will be delivered within 90 days of the day I won. They total up to about \$7,000. Like all winners on the show, I can not be a contestant again for the rest of my life and have to wait one year to go on any other game show. Maybe I'll try "Jeopardy" next. 

## Dean's Honor Roll

**ARABIC****First Semester**

Malone, Christopher, Pfc.

**ARABIC****Second Semester**

Naumann, Joann, Spc.

Schleicher, Seth, Spc.

**ARABIC****Third Semester**

Attridge, Aaron, Airman 1st Class

Dixon, Amy, Cpl.

Lebaron, Derrel, Staff Sgt.

**CHINESE MANDARIN****First Semester**

Branch, Alan, Airman 1st Class

Collard, Erin, Spc.

Depp, Lewis, Airman 1st Class

Ehrlich, Michele, Spc.

Hasse, Theodore, Pvt. 2

Moran, Shannon, Airman 1st Class

Newman, Lea, Airman 1st Class

Robey, Jody, Airman 1st Class

**CHINESE MANDARIN****Second Semester**

Bradshaw, Jay, Airman 1st Class

**CHINESE MANDARIN****Third Semester**

Hubick, William, Airman 1st Class

Knight, Christopher, Airman 1st Class

Williams, Robert, Spc.

**FRENCH****First Semester**

Anderson, Craig, Lt.

Clark, James, Sgt.

Flavin, Jonathan, Petty Officer 3rd Class

Lightner, Charles, Staff Sgt.

Mengwasser, Alan, Seaman

**FRENCH****Second Semester**

Davis, Carlotta, civilian

Davis, Charles, Capt.

Porcaro, David, Lt.

**GERMAN****First Semester**

Bashista, Ronald, Capt.

Cummings, James, Lt.j.g.

Freeland, Neal, Lt.

Hayes, Michael, Lt.j.g.

Horn, Mark, Capt.

Hunkins, Than, Capt.

Johnson, Michael, Capt.

Sanford, Fred, Maj.

**GREEK****Second Semester**

Farmer, Neal, Airman 1st Class

Oikonomides, Deborah, Airman 1st Class

**HEBREW****First Semester**

Bouchard, Bryan, Airman 1st Class

**HEBREW****Second Semester**

Siedemann, Richard, Seaman

White, Nicole, Spc.

**ITALIAN****Third Semester**

Christensen, Brian, Lt.

Knauss, Phillip, Lt.j.g.

Segarra, Armando, Lt. Cmdr.

**JAPANESE****Third Semester**

Blair, Mark, Capt.

Blair, Mary, civilian

Cassidy, Thomas, Maj.

Cruthirds, Horice, Capt.

Stumpf, Thomas, Lt. Col.

**KOREAN****First Semester**

Adair, Christopher, Pvt. 2

Allen, Kirk, Sgt.

Bower, Susan, Staff Sgt.

Brown, Jeffrey, Spc.

Chung, Duk, Pfc.

Cook, Marie, Airman 1st Class

Courchene, Thomas, Staff Sgt.

Dale, Markus, Lt.j.g.

Dimailig, Carl, Lance Cpl.

Fazio, Mark, Spc.

Gonzales, Lynn, Airman 1st Class

Gypton, Jeremy, Spc.

Harcarik, Michael, Airman 1st Class

Henriksen, Angela, Pvt. 2

Herold, Keith, Cpl.

Janke, Stacy, Spc.

Krabbe, Jeremy, Sgt.

Lane, Kent, Spc.

Laws, Michael, Pvt. 2

Lee, Seung, Capt.

Park, Irene, Airman 1st Class

Penn, James, Sgt.

Poorte, Daniel, Pvt. 2

Pray, Mitchell, Lance Cpl.

Rawlings, Robert, Spc.

Ritz, David, Airman 1st Class

Smith, Kelly, Spc.

Sotsuda, Thomas, Staff Sgt.

Stocking, Christopher, Airman 1st Class

Trotter, Christopher, Spc.

Washam, John, Spc.

Wright, Garrett, Lance Cpl.

**KOREAN****Second Semester**

Beach, Linda, Pvt. 2

Hagarman, James, Spc.

Jenkins, John, Sgt.

Kovala, Keith, Pvt.

Roberts, Matthew, Airman 1st Class

Stauss, Janet, Spc.

Tebbe, Travis, Capt.

**PERSIAN-FARSI****First Semester**

Brooks, Nakari, Pvt. 2

Cagle, Eric, Seaman

Chanthakhoune, Stephanie, Pvt. 2

Parkes, Evelyn, Sgt.

Stracener, Suzanna, Seaman Apprentice

Tosado, David, Spc.

**POLISH****First Semester**

Finley, Terry, Staff Sgt.

**PORTUGUESE****First Semester**

Bowling, Theodore, Capt.

Burns, Tanya, civilian

Candee, Matthew, Airman

Fagan, Magaly, civilian

Fagan, Robert, Capt.

McNaughton, Brian, Capt.

Newman, Thomas, Capt.

Owens, John, Maj.

Prugh, Samuel, Capt.

Rodriguez-Smith, Angie, Capt.

Smith, Jay, Staff Sgt.

**PORTUGUESE****Third Semester**

Bowling, Theodore, Capt.  
Burns, Tanya, Civilian  
Fagan, Robert, Capt.  
McNaughton, Brian, Capt.  
Prugh, Samuel, Capt.  
Rodriguez-Smith, Angie, Capt.  
Smith, Jay, Staff Sgt.

**RUSSIAN****First Semester**

Anderson, Timothy, Airman 1st Class  
Anna, Janet, Pvt. 2  
Barry, John, Pvt. 2  
Beck, Brian, Spc.  
Camburn, Anthony, Spc.  
Carbonel, Kristie, Airman 1st Class  
Cook, Rhonda, Capt.  
Donnelly, Michael, Capt.  
Duncan, Candice, Pvt. 2  
Ireland, John, Spc.  
King, Joseph, Capt.  
Liess, Blaise, Capt.  
McGinnis, Sheri, Spc.  
Morrow, Jacquie, Pvt. 2  
Oates, Sean, Spc.  
Oppenheim, Jeffrey, Capt.  
Schum, Derek, Lance Cpl.  
Scro, Brian, Pvt. 2  
Story, Michelle, Pvt. 2  
Suess, Sheila, Spc.  
Wallace, Christopher, Capt.  
Warren, Tarn, Capt.  
Yuschak, Michael, Capt.  
Zachar, Frank, Capt.

**RUSSIAN****Second Semester**

Atkin, Aaron, Pfc.  
Edwards, Kenneth, Pfc.  
Freitag, Mark, Capt.  
Fuss, Norman, Capt.  
Graves, Stephen, Spc.  
Hawkins, Erin, Pfc.  
Karas, Mark, Capt.  
Morris, Jessica, Pvt. 2  
Predmore, Jeffrey, Capt.  
Rennersmith, Theresa, Staff Sgt.  
Reyno, Richard, Capt.  
Schultz, Marnie, Spc.  
Schultz, Matthew, Spc.  
Sigler, Christy, Pfc.  
Stump, Jeremy, Airman 1st Class

**RUSSIAN****Third Semester**

Big Mountain, Marella, Airman 1st Class  
Disney, Jennifer, Airman 1st Class  
Lumpkins, Ashley, Pfc.  
Freitag, Mark, Capt.  
Fuss, Norman, Capt.  
Karas, Mark, Capt.  
Predmore, Jeffrey, Capt.  
Wuerdemann, Brooks, Sgt.

**SERBIAN/CROATIAN****Second Semester**

Delp, Martina, Senior Airman  
Jensen, Tammy, Sgt.  
Sitnik, Kevin, Spc.

**SPANISH****First Semester**

Adams, Reginald, Sgt.  
Aguilar, Adam, Pfc.  
Armendariz, Edmundo, Pfc.  
Bryzgornia, John, Spc.  
Collins, James, Capt.  
Ebersole, Greg, Petty Officer 1st Class  
Evert, Christopher, Tech. Sgt.  
Fields, Steven, Airman 1st Class  
Jurena, Tedra, Airman 1st Class  
Kittle, Derek, Spc.  
Mathews, Chad, Spc.  
Mayer, Megan, Airman 1st Class  
Moreira, Melanie, Airman 1st Class  
Ota, Kip, Seaman  
Palosarri, Phillip, Pvt. 2  
Redd, Wendy, Spc.  
Rincon, Noelia, Pfc.  
Ryan, Heather, Pvt. 2  
Salisbury, Christina, Pvt. 2  
Shover, Matthew, Airman 1st Class  
Weinstein, Brian, Lt.j.g.  
Wells, Jeffery, Spc.

**SPANISH****Second Semester**

Atchison, Michael, Spc.  
Bautista, Emmanuel, Lt.  
Collins, James, Capt.  
Cutrer, Braque, Sgt.  
Dececco, Paul, Capt.  
Domin, Hollie, Senior Airman  
Dunlap, Jamie, Pvt. 2  
Kittle, Derek, Spc.  
Palosaari, Phillip, Pfc.  
Racic, Katherine, Pvt. 2  
Sarabia, Claudia, civilian  
Sarabia, George, Capt.  
Schmidt, Robert, Capt.

Stevens, Jessica, Pfc.  
Stipetic, Scott, Spc.  
Stull, Michael, Lt.j.g.  
Washington, Sonja, Seaman

**SPANISH****Third Semester**

Cooper, Elizabeth, Spc.  
Grizzard, Geoffrey, Lt.  
Grizzard, Jacquelyn, civilian  
Lamb, Mark, Spc.  
Prester, Jason, Airman 1st Class  
Rients, Steven, Lt. Col.  
Wisotzki, Stephen, Lt. Cmdr.

**THAI****Second Semester**

Spangler, Anthony, Petty Officer 2nd Class

**TURKISH****First Semester**

Sobnosky, Gerard, Capt.

**TURKISH****Second Semester**

Angell, Patrick, Spc.  
Taylor, William, Capt.

**TURKISH****Third Semester**

Angell, Patrick, Spc.  
Petrosky, James, Maj.  
Taylor, William, Capt.

**VIETNAMESE****First Semester**

Nguyen, Wen, Seaman

**VIETNAMESE****Third Semester**

Anderson, Delmar, Capt.  
Capone, Corey, Staff Sgt.  
Warren, Shane, Airman 1st Class

## Graduations

### ARABIC

Aheren, Charlie, Seaman  
Arnold, Adam, Lance Cpl.  
Arnold, Meredith, Pfc.  
Aronson, Breanne, Pfc.  
Attridge, Aaron, Airman 1st Class  
Barton, Brett, Airman 1st Class  
Bjorling, Terra, Pfc.  
Black, Peter Jr., Seaman  
Brunson, Mary, Airman 1st Class  
Cade Harding, Cheryl, Spc.  
Carpenter, Youssef, Staff Sgt.  
Carraway, John, Spc.  
Davis, Jody, Seaman  
Davis, Robert, Airman 1st Class  
Dickison, Theresa, Spc.  
Dixon, Amy, Cpl.  
Dodson, Julie, Spc.  
Dolan, Lynn, Airman 1st Class  
Douglas, Jennifer, Pfc.  
Duncan, John, Airman 1st Class  
Dunn, Jonathan, Lance Cpl.  
Eppard, Jenny, Airman 1st Class  
Fiesler, Michelle, Airman 1st Class  
Fish, Elizabeth, Pfc.  
Fitton, Bruce, Spc.  
Geers, David, Pfc.  
Harr, Shaun, Seaman  
Haycock, Dawson, Cpl.  
Hayes, Latonya, Pfc.  
Herrin, Jaya, Seaman  
Hluchan, Peter, Seaman  
Howell, Stefanie, Airman 1st Class  
Howeth, Daniel, Seaman  
Janssen-Anessi, Lorri, Airman 1st Class  
Jennings, Ian, Pfc.  
Kile, Shana, Pfc.  
Lebaron, Derrel, Staff Sgt.  
Linde, Joseph, Spc.  
Lovelace, Matthew, Sgt.  
Marlin, Emma, Pfc.  
McDowell, Chad, Pfc.  
Montano, Charlotte, Sgt. 1st Class  
Moraga, Samantha, Pfc.  
Morris, Randy, Sgt.  
Murray, Timothy, Airman 1st Class  
Oliver, Jonathan, Airman 1st Class  
Paladino, Paul, Airman 1st Class  
Paradise, David, Pfc.  
Pascale, Davin, Spc.  
Quinn, Kevin, Petty Officer 2nd Class  
Rhymer, Scott, Spc.  
Rivera, Effie, Pfc.  
Rodman, Reginald Jr., Spc.  
Ruiz De Jesus, Belinda, Pfc.  
Tallon, Rachel, Pfc.  
Tamura, Sherie, Spc.

Thorud, Brent Jr., Airman 1st Class  
Vietor, Susan, Cpl.  
White, Isabella, Spc.  
Workman, Christopher, Lance Cpl.

### ARABIC

#### (Refresher)

Hubbard, Matthew, Petty Officer 1st Class  
Janostak, Edmond, Petty Officer 1st Class  
Jones, Samuel, Petty Officer 2nd Class  
Patten, Dean, Sgt. 1st Class  
Wethington, Kevin, Chief Petty Officer

### CHINESE-MANDARIN

Barnett, Sara, Airman 1st Class  
Carriker, Nicholas, Sgt.  
Catlett, Jason, Airman 1st Class  
Covey, Jennifer, Pfc.  
Cress, Paul, Spc.  
Dooley, Shawn, Airman 1st Class  
Erickson, Todd, Airman 1st Class  
Grajkowski, Miwa, Airman 1st Class  
Guardiola, Carla, Petty Officer 3rd Class  
Hartley, Christopher, Pfc.  
Hasler, Jeffrey, Warrant Officer  
Hayes, Neal, Airman 1st Class  
Hsu, David, Capt.  
Hubick, William Jr., Airman 1st Class  
Jones, William, Airman 1st Class  
Keith-Wilson, Theresa, Spc.  
Lawrence, Randy, Capt.  
Lynch Celeste, Airman 1st Class  
Marlow, Scott, Sgt.  
Matinez, Vilma, Spc.  
Moss, James Jr., Airman 1st Class  
Newcomer, Daniel, Airman 1st Class  
Newcomer, Noan, Airman 1st Class  
Nichols, Paul, Airman 1st Class  
Parks, Darrell, Spc.  
Scheiderer, Craig, Airman 1st Class  
Schlesinger, Sande, Capt.  
Serhienko, David, Pfc.  
Severino, Olivette, Petty Officer 2nd Class  
Shirk, Christopher, Petty Officer 3rd Class  
Silverman, Shana, Airman 1st Class  
Smith, James, Sgt.  
Smith, Jennifer, Airman 1st Class  
Whightsel, Deborah, Petty Officer 3rd Class  
Wilson, Stephen, Spc.

### FRENCH

#### (Intermediate)

Doty, Daniel, Maj.  
Gamez, Julio, Capt.  
Henry, Justin, Spc.  
Manzi, John, Lt. Col.  
Olsen, John, Capt.

Seely, Jeffrey, Capt.  
Toaso, Lisa, Petty Officer 3rd Class

### JAPANESE

#### (Conversational)

Adams, Christopher, Lt.  
Gonzalez, Jose, Petty Officer 1st Class  
Hedlund, John, Cmdr.  
Mangiantini, Guido, Lt. Cmdr.  
Reid, Yvonne, Lt.

### KOREAN

Balch, Brooke, Airman 1st Class  
Beckstein, Dean, Pfc.  
Buffardi, Carmen III, Staff Sgt.  
Burford, Eric, Airman 1st Class  
Cassidy, Masami, civilian  
Chadwick, Angela, Airman 1st Class  
Chatfield, Walter Jr., Airman 1st Class  
Ciabrone, Joseph, Lance Cpl.  
Crissinger, Mark, Seaman  
Davidson, Glen, Sgt. 1st Class  
Dolack, Craig, Spc.  
Elliott, Kevin, Sgt.  
Feagin, Kevin, Spc.  
Harris, Aaron, Airman 1st Class  
Hendrickson, Heather, Pfc.  
Howell, Christopher, Airman 1st Class  
Hughes, William, Spc.  
Jeske, Jennifer, Airman 1st Class  
Lange, David, Pfc.  
Libby, Jason, Pfc.  
Liebherr, Nathaniel, Airman 1st Class  
Lindo, Cecilio, Airman 1st Class  
Merrick, John, Seaman  
Micarelli, John, Senior Airman  
Philpot, Douglas, Airman 1st Class  
Reardon, Daniel, Airman 1st Class  
Roy, Salina, Airman 1st Class  
Shaw, Thaddeus, Pfc.  
Shipman, Andrea, Airman 1st Class  
Spiegle, Brandy, Airman 1st Class  
Taveras, Yohandy, Lance Cpl.  
Tivel, Damon, Pfc.  
Wood, Rachel, Pfc.  
Zitur, Mark, Airman 1st Class

### RUSSIAN

Allen, Jeffrey, Airman  
Allen, Jeffrey, Capt.  
Backus, Paul, Pfc.  
Bates, Stephanie, Pvt. 2  
Big Mountain, Marella, Airman 1st Class  
Bland, Leora, Pvt. 2  
Bordovsky, Patrik, Airman 1st Class  
Bowland, Kenneth, Pfc.  
Buck, Gregory, Pfc.

Butler, William, Pfc.  
Campbell, Carl, Spc.  
Capehart, John, Airman 1st Class  
Carroll, Christopher, Pfc.  
Chance, David, Pfc.  
Charron, Zane, Pfc.  
Cimatu, Edward, Staff Sgt.  
Conner, Brian, Seaman  
Crowhurst, Rusty, Airman 1st Class  
Curtis, Amber, Sgt.  
Davis, Jennifer, Seaman  
Dear, Brian, Spc.  
Disney, Jennifer, Airman 1st Class  
Donald, Heather, Pfc.  
Ellis, Steven Jr., Spc.  
Fields, Robert, Airman 1st Class  
Flaharty, Susan, Airman 1st Class  
Ford, David, Pvt. 2  
Frazier, James, Spc.  
Fry, Gregory, Airman 1st Class  
Gaspard, Scott, Pfc.  
Gass, David, Lance Cpl.  
Giambruno, Amy, Staff Sgt.  
Gilmer, Jonathan, Spc.  
Glaubman, Martin, Lance Cpl.  
Helfrich, Adam, Pvt. 2  
Hogan, Carrie, Airman 1st Class  
Hubener, Robert, Sgt.  
Jones, Allen, Seaman  
Jones, Rebeca, Pfc.  
Kalina, James, Pvt. 2  
Kallestad, Adam, Seaman  
Kauffman, Kaete, Pvt. 2  
King, Christy, Spc.  
Kleinbergs, Tallis, Lance Cpl.  
Klinck, Christopher, Spc.  
Knudsen, Charles, Pfc.  
Lapata, John, Seaman  
Lewis, William, Pvt. 2  
Linster, Shaun, Pfc.  
Lumpkins, Ashley, Pfc.  
Malin, Penny, Pfc.  
Mallory, Mark, Spc.  
McHugh, Travis, Airman 1st Class  
McManus, Brian, Spc.  
Miroballi, June, Pfc.  
Moore, Kimberly, Pfc.  
Moore, Nelson, Spc.  
Morris, Jessica, Pfc.  
Nava, Kristina, Spc.  
Nowicki, Casey, Pfc.  
Owens, Amy, Seaman  
Pardue, Thomas II, Pfc.  
Pedro, Heather, Pfc.  
Pronschinske, Wade, Airman 1st Class  
Rabon, Holli, Pfc.  
Ramirez-Rial, Jose, Pfc.  
Redenbaugh, Adam, Lance Cpl.

Rennersmith, Theresa, Staff Sgt.  
Roberts, Patrick, Spc.  
Rose, Eric, Pfc.  
Rowe, Amber, Pfc.  
Rumore, Dorian, Pfc.  
Schwerdt, Elizabeth, Spc.  
Sigler, Christy, Pfc.  
Smith, Joseph, Spc.  
Steinfeld, Mindy, Airman 1st Class  
Tabor, Cheryl, Pfc.  
Tiernan, Bridget, 1st Lt.  
Todzia, Jeremy, Airman 1st Class  
Tomaro, Rachael, Airman 1st Class  
Tudose, Corneliu, Staff Sgt.  
Violette, Amanda, Pfc.  
Willnauer, Yvette, Spc.  
Wilson, Andrea, Pfc.  
Wood, Mark Jr., Pfc.  
Wright, Bradley, Airman 1st Class  
Wuerdemann, Brooks, Sgt.  
Young, Shannon, Airman 1st Class  
Younquist, Nicole, Pfc.  
Zimmerman, Kathryn, Pfc.

#### **RUSSIAN (OSIA TREATY)**

Gaines, Felix, Sgt. 1st Class  
Gates, Kathi, Sgt.  
Holton, Chester, Sgt. 1st Class  
Lutz, Rebecca, Sgt.  
McCall, Ralph, Tech. Sgt.  
Payne, Michelle, Gunnery Sgt.  
Sawyer, Steven, Staff Sgt.  
Shaw II, Donald, Staff Sgt.  
Smith, Carolyn, Sgt.  
Stokes, Heather, Petty Officer 2nd Class  
Thomas, Alison, Sgt.  
Wittrock, Mark, Petty Officer 2nd Class  
Zimmerman, Tomas, Staff Sgt.

#### **RUSSIAN**

##### **(Special)**

Berrier, Andrew, Capt.  
Blackburn, R. Taft, Capt.  
Deweese, Misou, Capt.  
Freitag, Mark, Capt.  
Fuss, Norman, Capt.  
Heath, Robert, Capt.  
Hocevar, Bradley, Capt.  
Karas, Mark, Capt.  
Killiam, Timothy, Maj.  
Mahoney, Gregory, Capt.  
Predmore, Jeffrey, Capt.  
Reyno, Richard, Capt.  
Tisdale, Valen, Capt.  
Weaver, Brent, Capt.

#### **SERBIAN-CROATIAN**

Colvin, Jeffery, Airman 1st Class  
Delp, Martina, Senior Airman

Fuentes, Noel, Spc.  
Ghelardini, Edward II, Pfc.  
Gibson, Michael, Airman 1st Class  
Hayes, Michelle, Airman 1st Class  
Hicks, Joshua, Airman 1st Class  
Hill, David, Pfc.  
Jensen, Tammy, Sgt.  
Kaminski, Tanya, Pfc.  
Kelley, Donald Jr., Airman 1st Class  
King, Sabrina, Airman 1st Class  
Krouse, Adam, Pfc.  
Laws, David, Airman 1st Class  
Lawson, Derrek, Spc.  
Middleton, Bryant, Sgt.  
Papazian, Raffi, Spc.  
Pratt, Deborah, Airman 1st Class  
Priest, Xaver, Pfc.  
Sitnik, Kevin, Spc.  
Stanek, Jeanpaul, Airman 1st Class  
Stearman, Sean, Senior Airman  
Tanner, Jason, Airman 1st Class  
Thomas, Christopher, Staff Sgt.  
Tower, Sherrie, Airman 1st Class  
Tucker, Marie, Airman 1st Class  
Walz, Angela, Airman 1st Class  
Wilson, Geoffrey, Airman 1st Class  
Wolstenholm, Michael, Pfc.

#### **SPANISH**

##### **(Intermediate)**

Brodeur, Kinikia, Senior Airman  
Brooks, Tammy, Senior Airman  
Garduno, Caesar, Capt.  
Harris, Jeffrey, Petty Officer 1st Class  
Lee, William, Sgt.  
Lipscomb, Charles Jr., Staff Sgt.  
Ormsby, Terence, Capt.  
Walter, Adam, Senior Airman  
Whiddon, David, Capt.

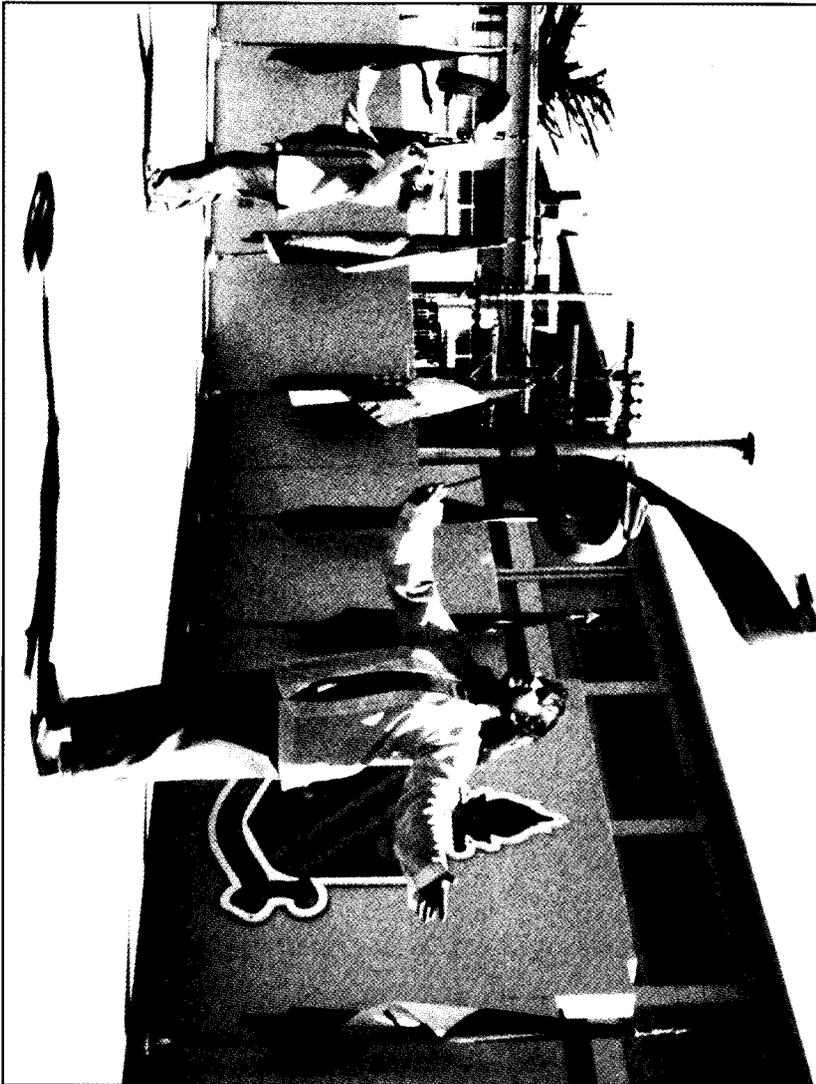
#### **TAGALOG**

Church, Brent, Pfc.  
Conroy, Kevin, Capt.  
Flores, Catherine, Pfc.  
Niksadat, Adam, Pfc.

#### **VIETNAMESE**

Anderson, Delmar, Capt.  
Capone, Corey, Staff Sgt.  
Hill, Daniel, Sgt. 1st Class  
Miller, Jeffrey, Airman 1st Class  
Newcomer, Tiffanie, Airman 1st Class  
Posey, Jason, Airman 1st Class  
Warren, Shane, Airman 1st Class  
Wellman, Michell, Airman 1st Class  
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Two DLIFLC students perform a cultural dance with the use of streamers on the outdoor stage during the hot afternoon hours of Language Day 1997. Cultural displays, classroom demonstrations and entertainment to include native dancing, learning and teaching foreign languages, barracks room visitations, resource center/computer lab displays and Video TeleTraining were all a part of the annual event which took place May 16. For more on Language Day 1997, see page 5. (Photo by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen)